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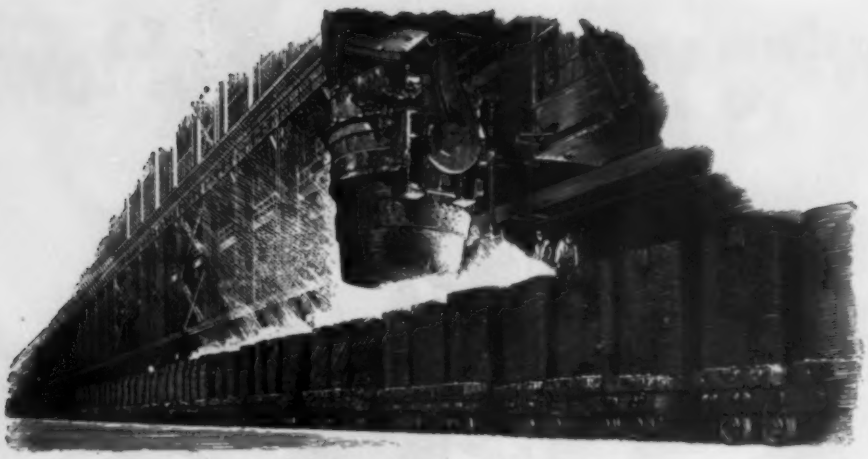

# *Meeting the Demand*

*The following message from E. G. Grace, Chairman of Bethlehem Steel, appears in the company's Annual Report to Employees for 1955. If you would like to see the report, your request to us at Bethlehem, Pa., or the nearest Bethlehem office, will bring a copy to you promptly.*

*To the Employees:*

It is very gratifying to report that our mutual efforts last year resulted in the production and shipment of more steel than ever before in Bethlehem's history.

The expansion and improvement of our facilities to meet a growing demand for steel products have brought benefits to our company and employees through increased production and earnings.

It was a notable year, one which showed that our large investments for growth have been bearing fruit. We cannot stop here.

The United States is growing and the steel industry must keep pace with that growth. Our rising population with its steadily increasing per capita consumption of steel creates a demand for goods using steel which must be supplied by private enterprise.

Bethlehem's response has been to launch the greatest expansion program in the company's history. Within the next two years we shall spend some $300,000,000 in adding more than 3,000,000 tons of annual ingot capacity.

In recognition of the needs of the country, the steel industry as a whole is planning the addition of 15,000,000 tons of annual ingot capacity in the next three years.

The financing of such a program is not an easy task. In the past, much of the expansion was brought about by improving or adding to existing installations. However, additions to capacity in this manner cannot continue indefinitely. In the future, the industry, and Bethlehem, must create entirely new capacity—integrated from raw materials to the finished product—to serve properly the demand of the public. This is much more costly.

For this reason we must maintain adequate earnings to attract investors and to have funds to put back into the business. This requires the maintenance of sound financial practices, realistic price and wage policies and continuing progress on the technological front. But, we must have also an enlightened public policy to assist us by means of sound government tax policies which will encourage expansion and development.

We have been presented with many problems in our endeavor to meet the great demand for steel that occurred during the last half of 1955. New problems will arise. But the response of our employees through record production last year shows what can be done.

I am confident that the demand for steel will remain strong throughout the year. Our shipbuilding prospects are improving significantly. In short, the immediate future is clear and promising. But the long range job, with all it implies, lies ahead. Production performance such as we had in 1955 will immeasurably ease our task.

The maintenance of steel as a free industry in a free economy is vital to our personal liberties. The growth of the industry is essential to our economy because steel is a basic ingredient. I am sure Bethlehem will do its part.

E. G. Grace

CHAIRMAN

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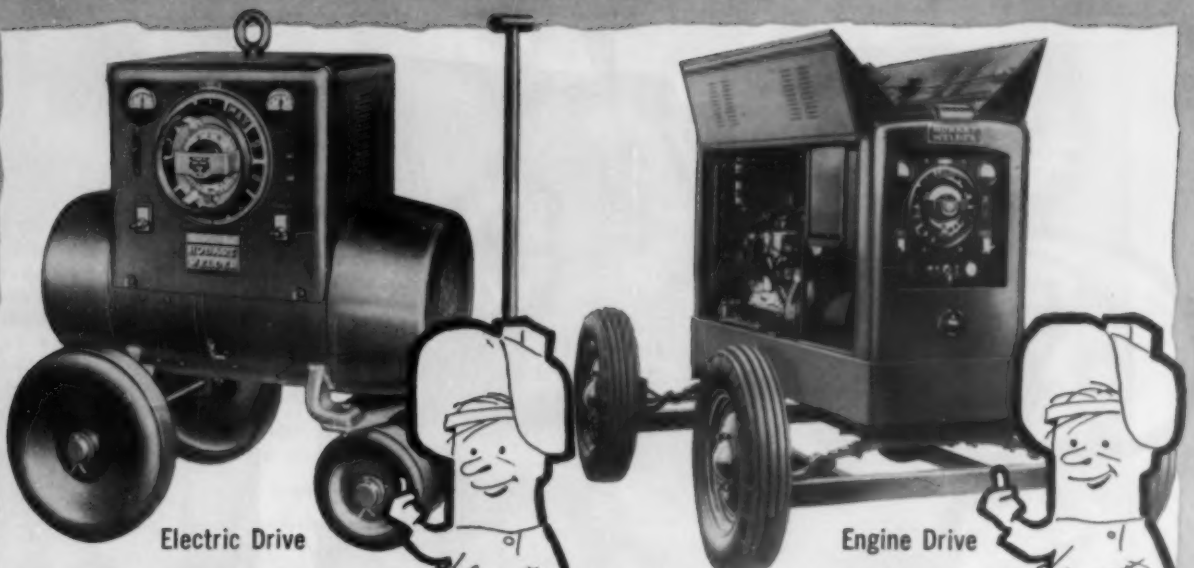

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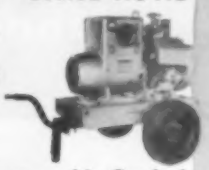

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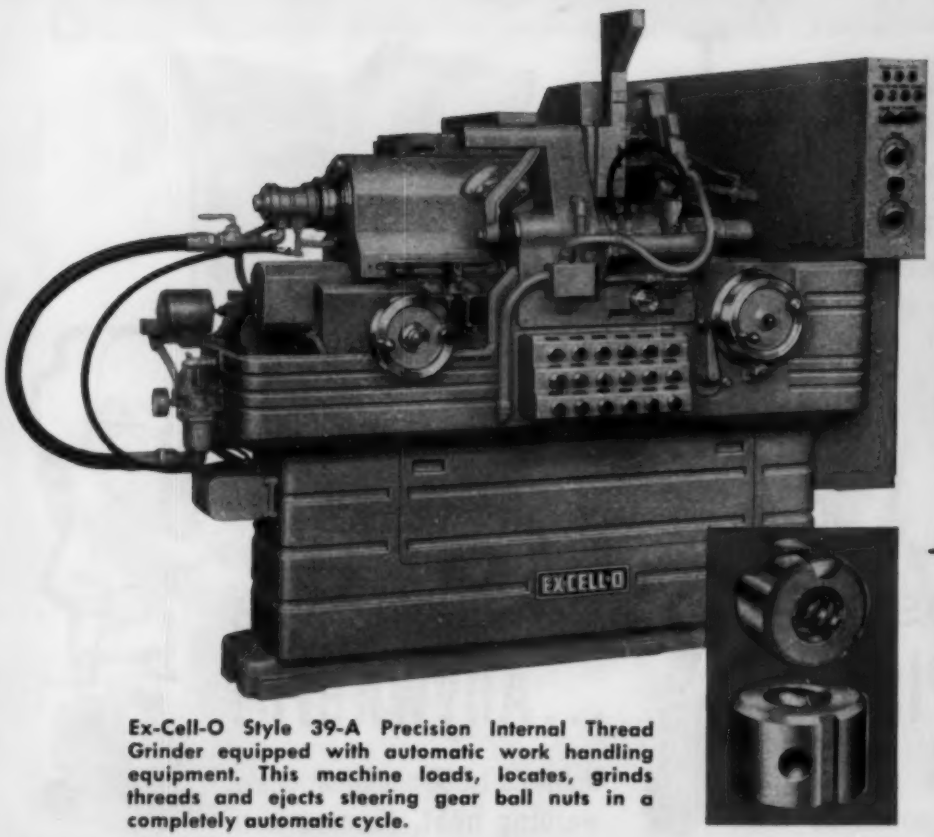


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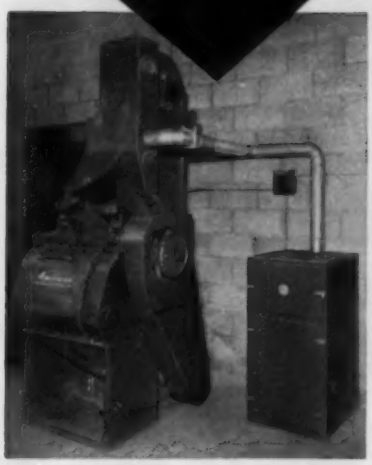

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# behind the scenes

*Play goes from Colbert to Kettering, with assist from Harper and Choate, as:*

## NBP Awards Quill to Kettering

NBP is an association of publishers of technical, professional, industrial, scientific, merchandising and marketing magazines. Once a year it meets in Washington and awards a Silver Quill to someone who has made outstanding contributions to business, industry and government. This year it selected Charles F. Kettering of General Motors as the recipient.

The award was made Feb. 10, at the Statler hotel. Reading from left to right in the photograph above, we see L. L. (Tex) Colbert, president of Chrysler Corp., handing over the quill (say, that's a mighty impressive penholder assembly, isn't it?); Robert E. Harper, president and secretary of NBP, supervising the operation; Rufus Choate, chairman of the NBP board and president of the Scott-Choate Publications (recovering his breath after delivering some laudatory opening remarks); and Charles F. Kettering, one of the most highly honored Americans, reaching out with both hands to accept the award.

"He has never settled back," said Mr. Colbert, "and looked upon past accomplishments with complacency. He gets his fun and satisfaction out of new problems. As he once said: 'The minute you get satisfied with what you've got, the concrete has begun to set in your head!' "

## Defense Orders, 5000 B.C.

Over in England, land of jugged hare, chutney, scepters and kings, the Iron & Steel Institute publishes a highly learned and erudite monthly called *Journal of the Iron & Steel Institute*. On page 49 of the January issue appears an article, "The Structural Iron of the Parthenon," prepared by C. J. Livadefs, D. Sc.

C. J. was formerly assistant professor at the Athens Technical University, and is now with the Athens Piraeus Electricity Co.

Well, in developing his theme, Dr. Livadefs mentioned in passing that the father of Lysias opened a workshop in Piraeus sometime in 5000 B.C., and employed 120 slaves, most of whom were displaced persons. This was an outstanding industrial undertaking in Attica at the time: Blacksmiths worked at their forges from dawn til dark, and the smoke of their fires could be seen from the peaks of distant mountains by watching enemies.

But the Lysias plants worked strictly on defense orders. Their entire output consisted of iron shields

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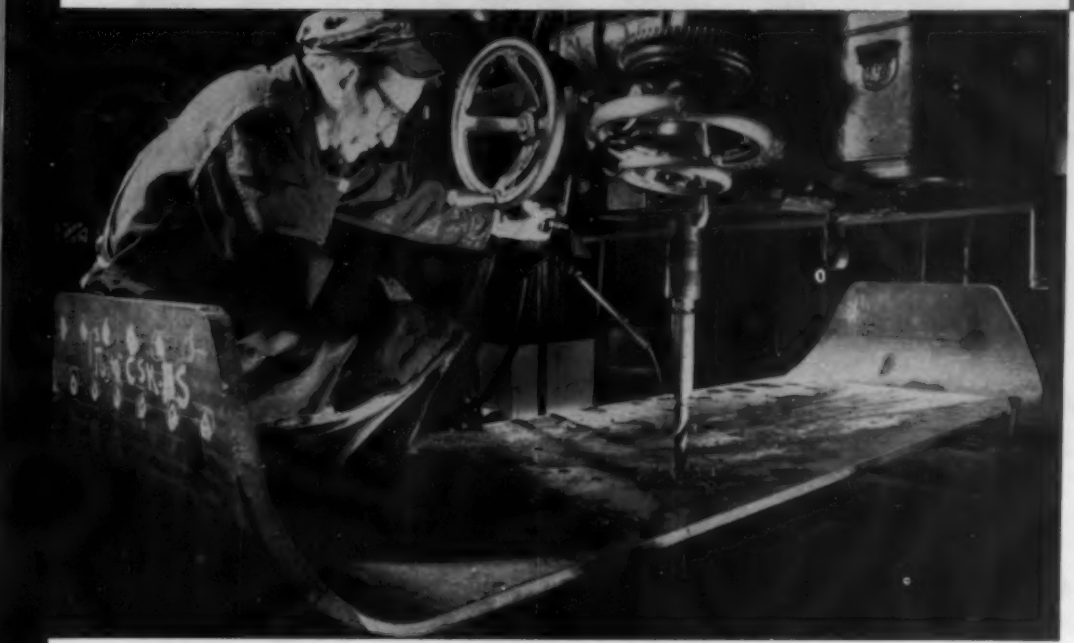
*In ore clean-up buckets*

# FABRICATION SIMPLIFIED WITH USS "T-1" STEEL

## *(and weight reduced more than ½ ton)*

This photo courtesy of Blaw-Knox Company.



**HALF AS THICK!** In the trays for giant ore clean-up buckets, 1¼" USS "T-1" Steel Plate, with a yield strength of 90,000 psi., replaces cast trays which were as much as 2½" thick. The new buckets—lighter in weight by more than half a ton — and expected to outperform the heavy cast trays, will be used at United States Steel's South Works.

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• The trays of ore clean-up buckets must have phenomenal shock and abrasion resistance to hold up under constant scraping and scouring along the steel bottoms of ore boats. They are commonly made of heavy steel castings. But recently, Blaw-Knox Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., *fabricated* trays for several new buckets from USS "T-1" Steel Plate. This amazing new alloy steel assures the needed strength and durability, plus important fabricating advantages.

### *LESS WEIGHT — LESS EXPENSE*

Biggest single advantage of fabricating from "T-1" Steel Plate is less weight. New trays weigh only 4,021 pounds each, compared to 5,068 pounds for comparable cast manganese steel trays. Thus, "T-1" decreases the weight of the bucket and reduces shipping and handling costs.

What's more, fabrication from "T-1" simplified the building of these huge buckets. It eliminated the expensive patterns needed for cast trays. Because "T-1" has tremendous resistance to impact abuse and abrasion, it is expected that it will outperform previously used materials.

For these ore buckets, "T-1" Steel is flame-cut to size, *cold formed* in a 1,250-ton press, drilled and then riveted to the bucket shell. "T-1" also can be welded—without pre- or post-heating. Because of its unusual combination of properties, it is cutting costs in many rugged applications.

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**USS "T1" CONSTRUCTIONAL ALLOY STEEL**

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**UNITED STATES STEEL**

This batch-type, roller-hearth annealing furnace lends itself to the kind of flexibility Rotary needed. Photo at right shows operator preparing a charge at entry end.

# Stainless Specialty Mill Highlights Trend at Rotary Electric Steel

**Selling more finished bar product is Rotary's aim in this latest growth move. New annealing furnace handles wide range of bars from ½" to 4⅜" and coils of wire.**

First step in the new finishing department is descaling in this Pangborn machine. Scale is shot blasted from stock which is rotated as it moves through machine.

When you walk into the new mill building at Rotary Electric Steel's 47-acre Detroit plant, you find yourself in one of the most modern stainless processing mills in the industry.

This new facility is the result of a decision made two years ago to market more of the company's stainless output in finished items. The stainless specialty bar business was chosen, as Rotary has one of the most flexible bar mills in the industry, but no finishing equipment for flat rolled products.

**New Facilities**—Production-wise, the decision posed no problems. Rotary's six electric furnaces with rated capacities up to 60 tons were already turning out stainless, car-

After straightening on one of several machines, bars go either to high-speed turning machine or to one of sixteen centerless grinders for surface finish or sizing.

Operator of this Campbell wet-abrasive cutoff machine cuts finished bars into warehouse lengths. Several such machines are employed.

New storage facilities insure the prompt servicing of inquiries and orders for quality stainless bars. Note the extreme size variation.

bon, and alloy steels. The versatile blooming mill rolls sections from 6" square to 19" square, and slabs from 44" wide down to a thickness of 2⅛". This mill is equipped for fast roll changes, as are the five-stand billet mill and the semi-continuous bar mill.

While the bar mill at Rotary is flexible, and rolls rounds from ½" to 4⅜" and hexes from ½" to 2" in diameter, a new combination hand and mechanical mill is now being installed that will cover a wider product range and have considerably greater flexibility. For the new program, completely new stainless annealing facilities were needed. The Drever roller-hearth furnace was chosen for its ability to handle a wide range of bars from ½" to 4⅜", and coils of wire.

A new batch-type roller hearth annealing furnace, which is 153 feet long, accommodates bars up to 36 feet long or several skids of coiled wire. Cold bars are arranged on the 40-inch wide entry table while the preceding batch is in the furnace. When heating is complete, operator moves the hot batch out and cold batch in at 105 fpm. Output is about 3 tons per hour of 300-series alloys.

**Finishing Department** — After annealing and quenching, stainless bars move into the new finishing department where bars, shapes, and wire are converted into warehouse items.

Bars may first get a shot blasting in the new Pangborn 2-wheel machine, following which they are pickled, cold-drawn, centerless ground on one of sixteen Cincinnati machines, and cut to length on a Campbell wet-abrasive cutoff machine. Or, they may be straightened, turned on a high speed Medart machine, and then centerless ground.

Finished bars are approved to meet definite specifications before shipping to either customers or to warehouse racks.

A stock of hundreds of tons of finished stainless steel bars is available for immediate shipment. New storage facilities insure the prompt servicing of inquiries and orders.

**New Color Brochure** — "How Steel Is Made at Rotary" is a 4-color booklet that shows the plant and facilities of the company. Copies can be obtained by writing Rotary Electric Steel Co., Box 4606, Detroit 34, Michigan. Rotary has sales offices and agents in Detroit, Indianapolis, Newark, N. J., Cleveland, and Chicago.

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# LETTERS
## TO THE EDITORS

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I would appreciate a reprint of the story, "Steel Braces for Labor Talks" (Feb. 20, page 65) . . . also two sets of the six articles in your series on temperature control of heat treating furnaces. These are excellent and are deserving of praise.

Anton Brasunas
Director
Metals Engineering Institute
Cleveland

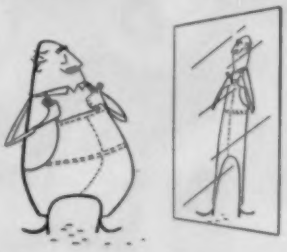
### Metal in Plastic Overcoats

We read with interest your article, "Plastic Overcoats for Metal" (Feb. 20, page 114). We feel we have an application for this nylon coating process. Could you supply us with the address of the company which is processing parts?

J. G. Newman
Chief Chemist
Hobart Mfg. Co.
Troy, O.

• *Write Polymer Processes Inc., 125 N. Fourth St., Reading, Pa.*

### Stainless Steel Mirror Finish



Please send three copies of your article, "The Finish That Fits" (Feb. 13, page 92). This is the finest article on stainless steel finishes which I have seen.

Richard Westphal
Work Order Department
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Milwaukee

I have read this article with interest and would appreciate three copies. I should like to take this brief opportunity to express praise for your publication. I enjoy reading it.

R. C. Grossman
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### Sums Up Data Well

Your article, "What You Can Do About Metal Fatigue" (Jan. 16, page 68), was an excellent condensation of the subject matter. Would you forward 20 additional copies?

T. P. Powers
Office & Steel Service Plant
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Chicago

### Articles Saved for Reference

As a student of metallurgical engineering, I found your article, "Heat Treating To Produce Pearlitic Malleable" (Dec. 26, page 60), interesting and informative. I would like a copy

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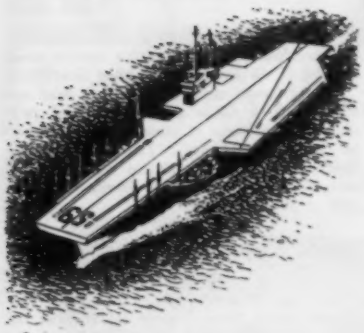
# Aboard the U. S. S. FORRESTAL . . .
# Erie Forge Propeller Shafts



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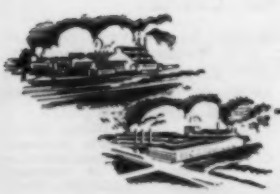

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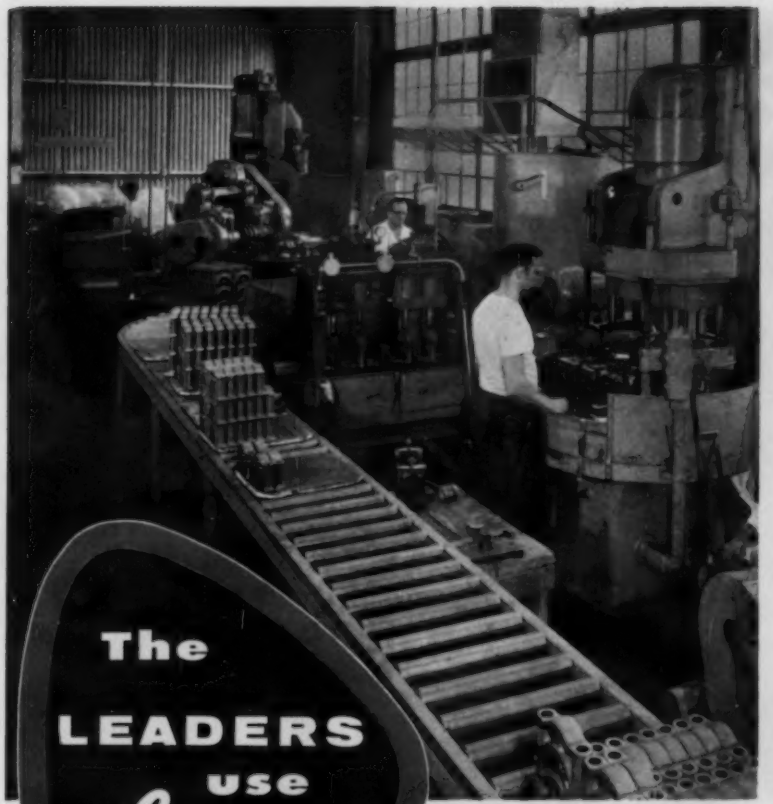

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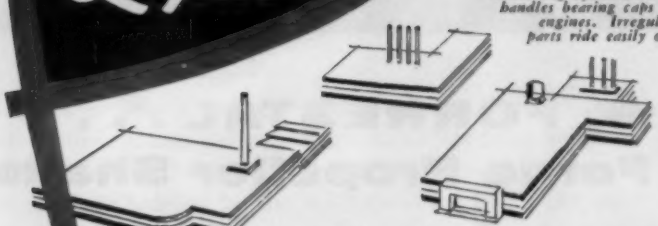

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of this article as well as the preceding one, "Heat Treating To Produce Malleable Iron" (Dec. 19, page 106). These articles will be a welcome addition to my reference material.

John B. Nail Jr.
70 15th St.
Wheeling, W. Va.

## Chart Has Twofold Use

Please send two copies of the article, "Automation: How To Plan It" (Jan. 30, page 42).

Our interest is because we have an IBM 702 electronic data processing machine and are considering the installation of 705s. It seems to us that the table, "Ten Musts for Automation," applies almost as well to the processing of data as to the manufacture of goods.

L. D. Whitcher
Commander, SC
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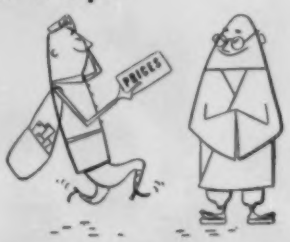


On the page following your Market Outlook column, you publish the average prices of steel as given by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. We would like to know the specifications, mill base prices, typical extras and deductions from which these average prices are computed.

K. Kanno
Chief-Marketing Research Section
Nippon Steel Tube Co. Ltd.
Tokyo, Japan

• *We are forwarding a description of the products and the price extras used by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

*The Bureau uses base prices and extras from a large group of steel producers who keep it constantly informed as to price changes. The Bureau uses these prices in accordance with the descriptions to arrive at average prices and a price index.*

## Lauds Story on Water

I am impressed by the article, "More Work for Water" (Jan. 30, page 84). Please send three copies of it and the accompanying article, "Dollars Down the Drain" (Feb. 6, page 136).

William K. McKie
Director of Engineering
Bataille, Kane & McKie Inc.
Chicago

## Useful for Courses

I should like to receive a copy of the insert, *1956 Metalworking Facts and Figures* (Jan. 2, page 145). I believe this will be useful for courses I teach in marketing and advertising.

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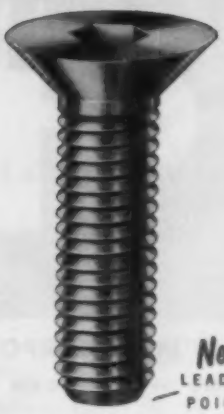


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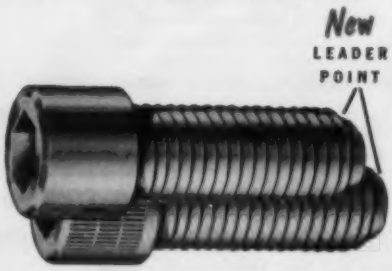


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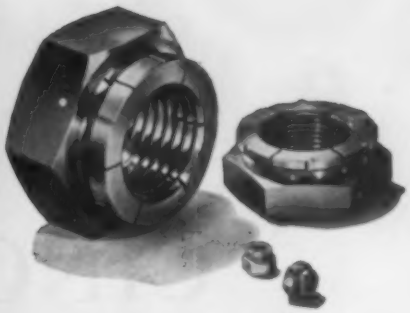

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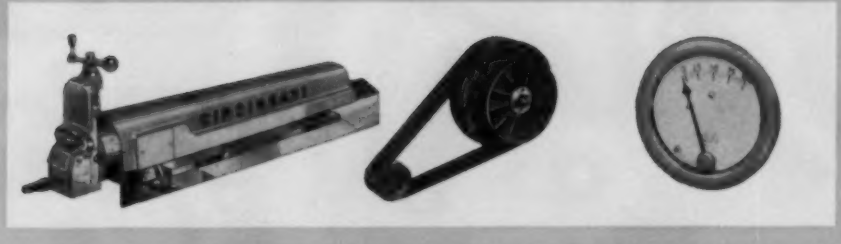

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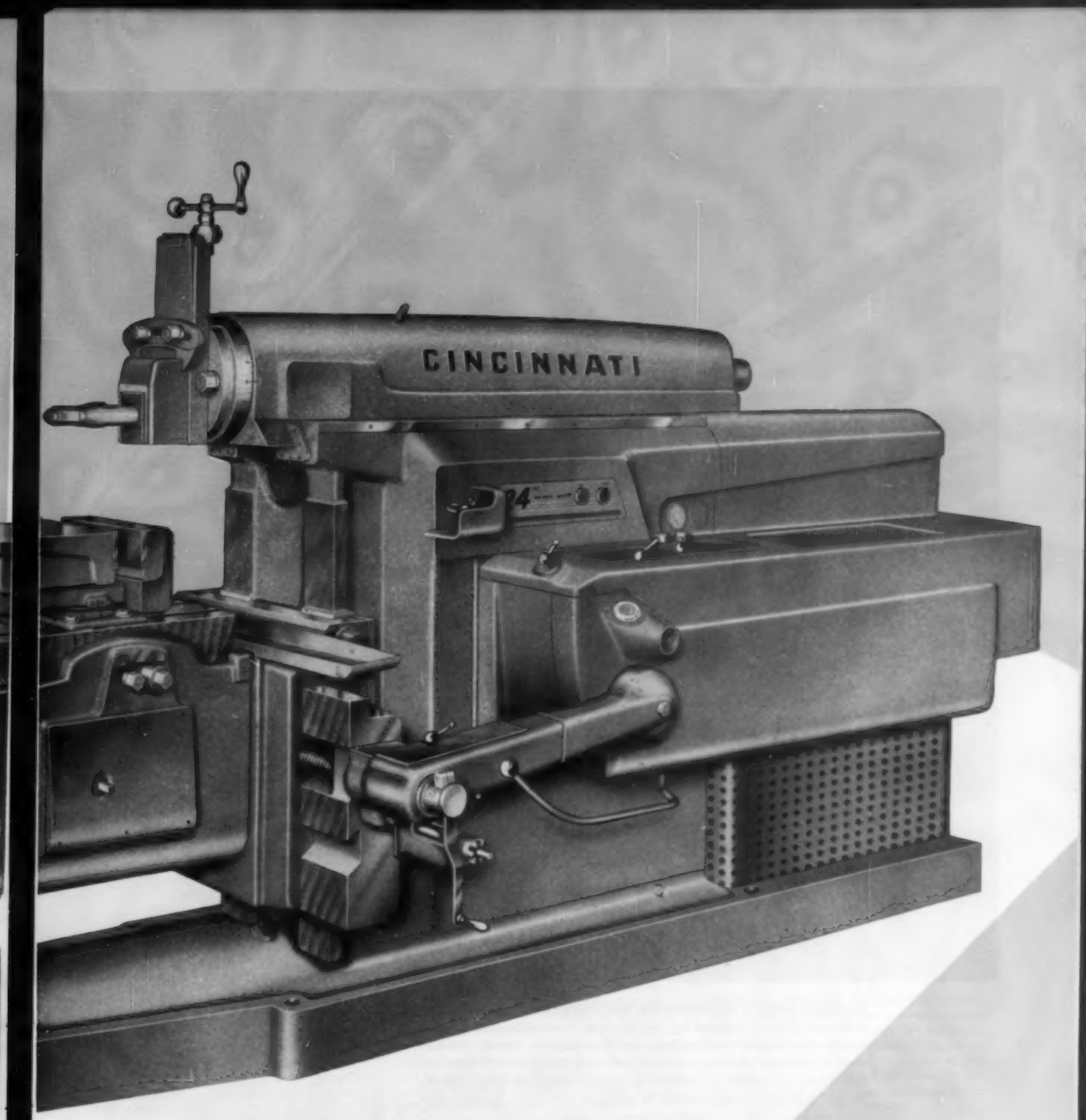


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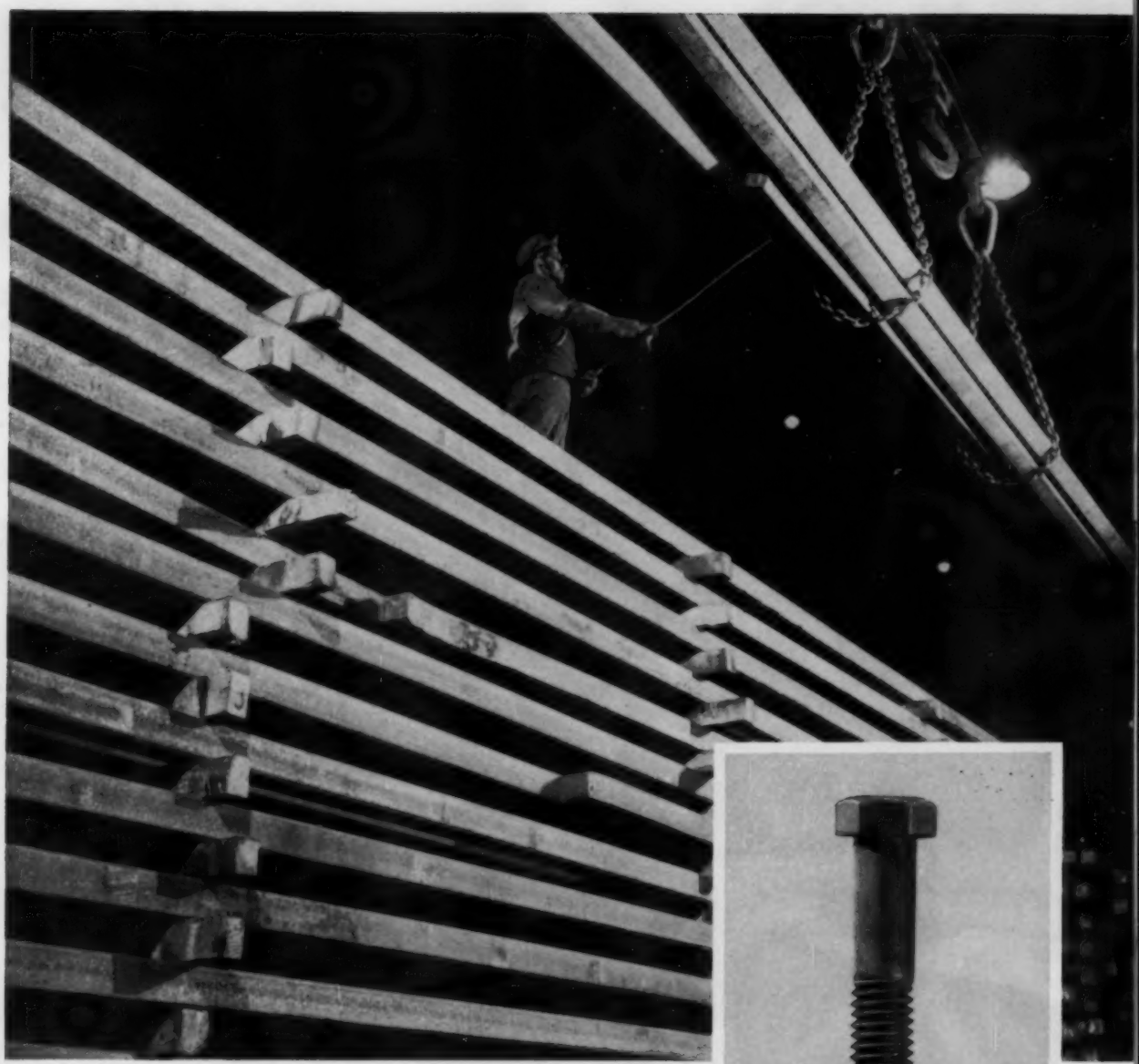

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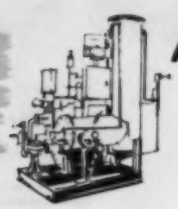

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**Mar. 5-6, Instrument Society of America, Pittsburgh section:** Conference on instrumentation for the iron and steel industry. Hotel Webster Hall and Mellon Institute of Industrial Research. Society's address: 345 Ridge Ave., Pittsburgh 12, Pa. Secretary: Fred Marton.

**Mar. 6-8, Society of Automotive Engineers Inc.:** National passenger car, body and materials meeting. Hotel Statler, Detroit. Society's address: 29 W. 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. Secretary: John A. C. Warner.

**Mar. 11-14, National Association of Waste Material Dealers Inc.:** Annual meeting. Waldorf-Astoria, New York. Association's address: 271 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y. Managing director: Clinton M. White.

**Mar 12-14, International Acetylene Association:** Annual meeting. Hotel Statler, Los Angeles. Association's address: 30 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. Secretary: H. F. Reinhard.

**Mar. 12-15, National Electrical Manufacturers Association:** Mid-winter meeting. Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago. Association's address: 155 E. 44th St., New York 17, N. Y. Managing director: Joseph F. Miller.

**Mar. 12-16, National Association of Corrosion Engineers:** Annual meeting and exhibit. Hotel Statler, New York. Association's address: 1061 M & M Bldg., Houston 2, Tex. Executive secretary: A. B. Campbell.

**Mar. 13-15, Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association:** Spring meeting. Biltmore hotel, New York. Association's address: 777 14th St. N. W., Washington 5, D. C. Secretary: James D. Secrest.

**Mar. 14-16, American Society of Mechanical Engineers:** Aviation conference. Hotel Statler, Los Angeles. Society's address: 29 W. 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. Secretary: C. E. Davies.

**Mar. 14-16, Pressed Metal Institute:** Annual Spring technical meeting. Carter hotel, Cleveland. Institute's address: 3673 Lee Rd., Shaker Heights, O. Managing director: H. A. Daschner.

**Mar. 18-20, American Machine Tool Distributors Association:** Spring meeting. Hotel Statler, Detroit. Association's address: 1900 Arch St., Philadelphia 3, Pa. Executive secretary: Thomas A. Fernley Jr.

**Mar. 19-20, Steel Founders' Society of America:** Annual meeting. Drake hotel, Chicago. Society's address: 606 Terminal Tower, Cleveland, O. Executive vice president: F. Kermit Donaldson.

**Mar. 19-21, American Society of Mechanical Engineers:** Spring meeting. Multnomah hotel, Portland, Oreg. Society's address: 29 W. 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. Secretary: C. E. Davies.

**Mar. 19-21, Society of Automotive Engineers Inc.:** National production meeting and forum. Hotel Statler, Cleveland. Society's address: 29 W. 39th St., New York 18, N.Y. Secretary: John A. C. Warner.

**Mar. 19-23, American Society of Tool Engineers:** Industrial exposition and annual convention, International Amphitheatre and Conrad Hilton hotel, Chicago. Society's address: 10700 Puritan Ave., Detroit, Mich. Executive secretary: Harry E. Conrad.

**Mar. 22-23, American Hot Dip Galvanizers Association:** Annual meeting. Drake hotel, Chicago. Association's address: 1806 First National Bank Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. Secretary: Stuart J. Swensson.

**Apr. 1-5, American Society of Mechanical Engineers:** Oil and gas power conference, Jung hotel, New Orleans. Society's address: 29 W. 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. Secretary: C. E. Davies.

**Apr. 3, Material Handling Institute:** Spring meeting. Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago. Institute's address: One Gateway Center, Pittsburgh 22, Pa. Managing director: R. Kennedy Hanson.

**Apr. 3-4, Industrial Truck Association:** Spring meeting. Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago. Association's address: 900 F St. N.W., Washington, D. C. Secretary: William Van C. Brandt.


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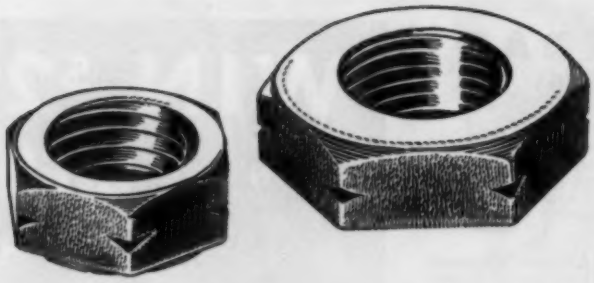

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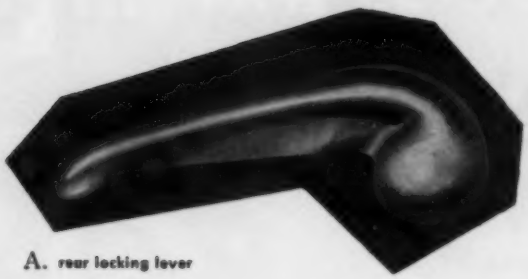

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# METALS AND ALLOYS REVIEW

by FRANK M. LEVY, Director of Research

The other day one of our sales engineers stopped in to discuss gear applications and the subject got around to the amount of zinc permissable in gear and bearing alloys. Engineering books state that zinc is not desirable in bearing alloys. While this statement is true as regarding the commonly used copper-tin and copper-tin-lead alloys, it does not necessarily apply to other types of alloys. The 600 series bearing alloys, in which I am keenly interested, depend upon a high zinc content along with several other metal constituents to provide them with their fine bearing properties.

My explanation to our sales engineer was somewhat as follows: The question as to whether or not zinc is detrimental in a bearing alloy depends upon the remaining constituents in the alloy. A comparatively small amount of zinc is detrimental in a phosphor bronze alloy containing 80% copper, 10% tin and 10% lead. A zinc content of 4% is permissible in a bearing alloy containing 88% copper, 4% tin and 4% lead when used in an application not subject to heavy loads. In these alloys the tin combines with some of the copper to form a hard copper-tin constituent which is distributed through the soft copper matrix, or mat of copper. The higher the percentage of tin present, the greater the quantity of hard copper-tin constituent formed. Zinc also combines with copper increasing the hardness of the matrix. Therefore, when zinc is present along with a high tin content, the matrix becomes too hard and is "out of balance" resulting in poorer bearing qualities.

In the 600 series, copper, silicon, manganese, etc., are present with zinc. There is sufficient manganese present to combine with the silicon to form a purple manganese silicide which is embedded in the copper-zinc matrix. *Since the manganese-silicide constituent has a much higher micro hardness than the copper-tin constituent in phosphor bronze, the matrix of the 600 series alloys can have a higher hardness without impairing the bearing properties. In this instance, zinc is not detrimental but desirable because it produces an alloy with a high Brinell hardness which resists pounding and distortion.*

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In conclusion, we agree that zinc is detrimental to the bearing properties of the phosphor bronze type of alloys, but is of benefit to the 600 series alloys, *as it makes a harder matrix*, permitting the alloy to resist pounding action better than the softer phosphor bronze alloys.

I've just about run out of space for this time but we'll have another subject for discussion later. If you have any problems or questions about non-ferrous alloys, just write me here at Mueller Brass Co. and we'll see what we can do.

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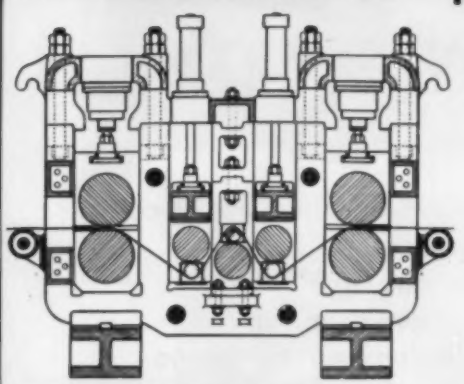

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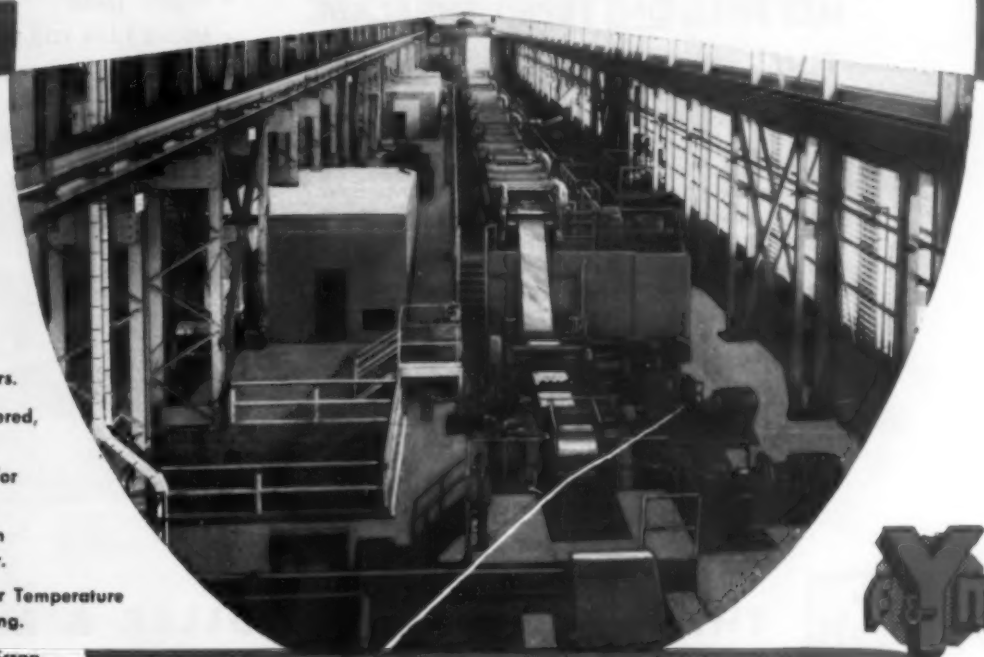

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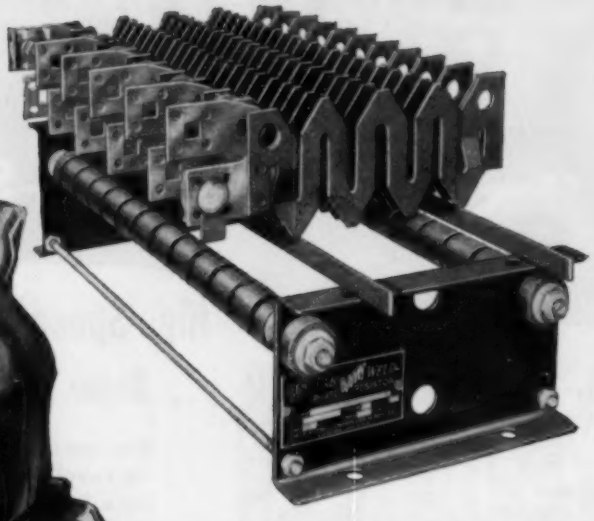

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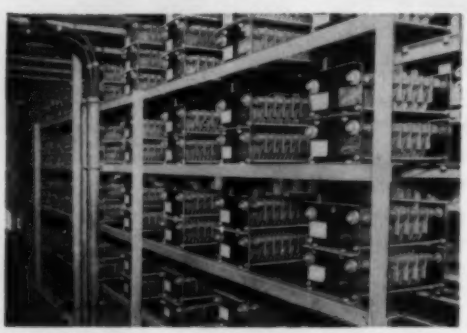

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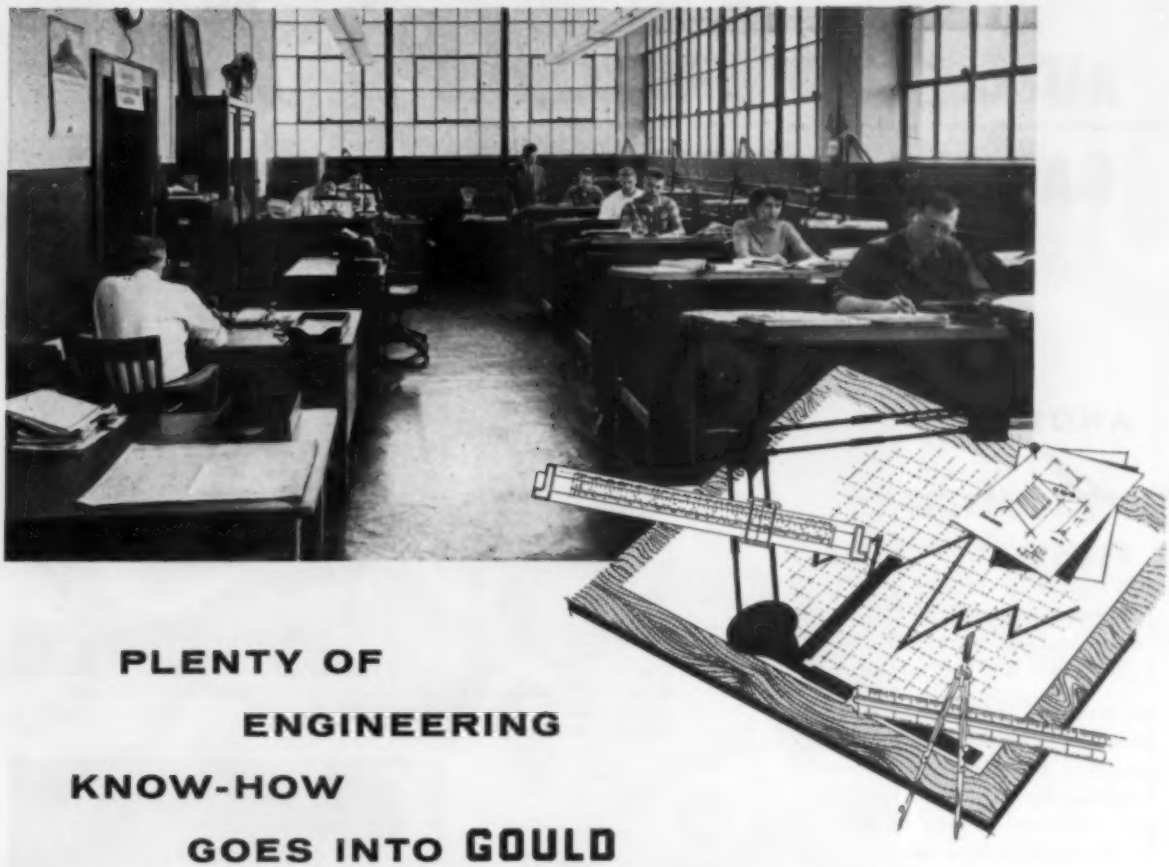

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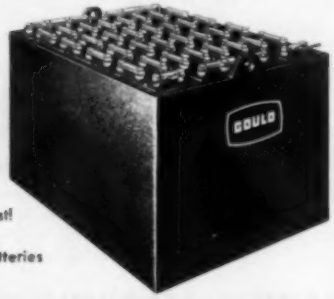


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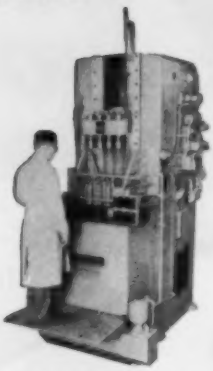

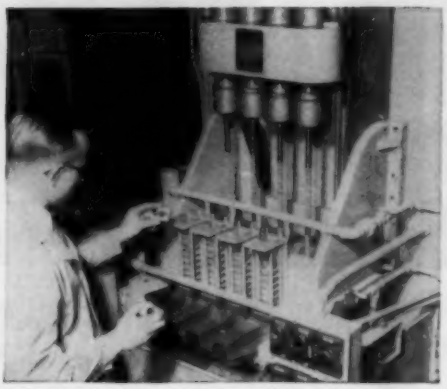

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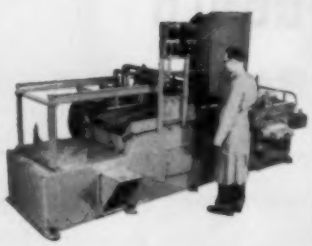

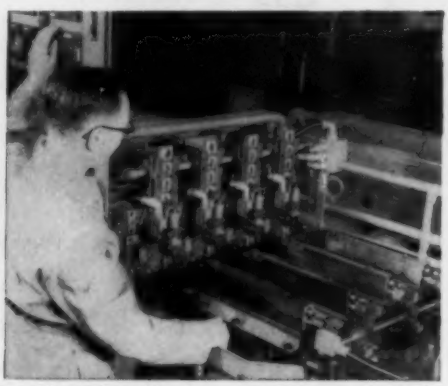

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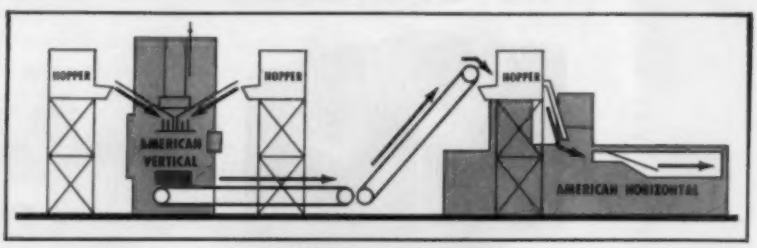


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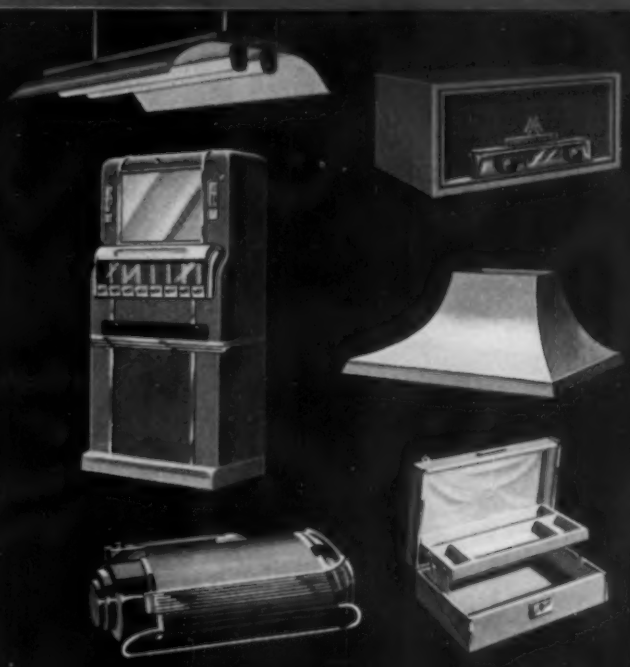

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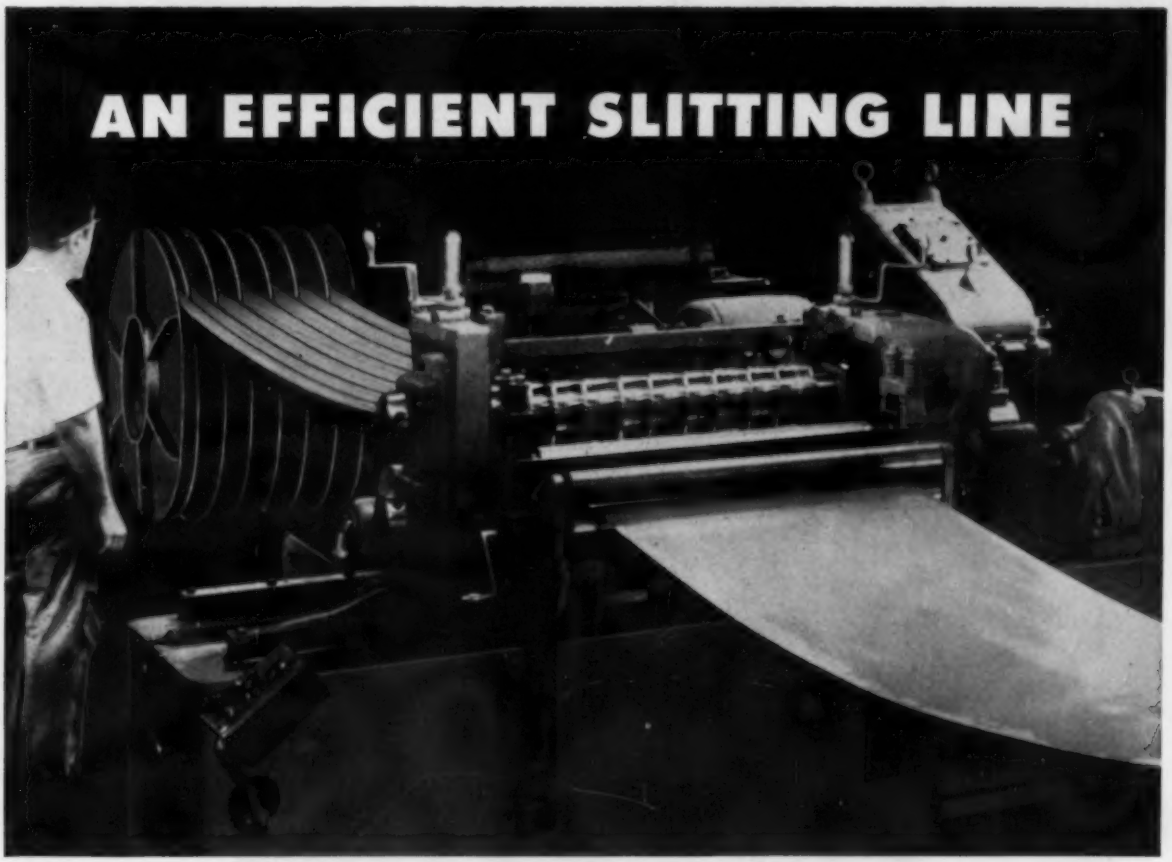

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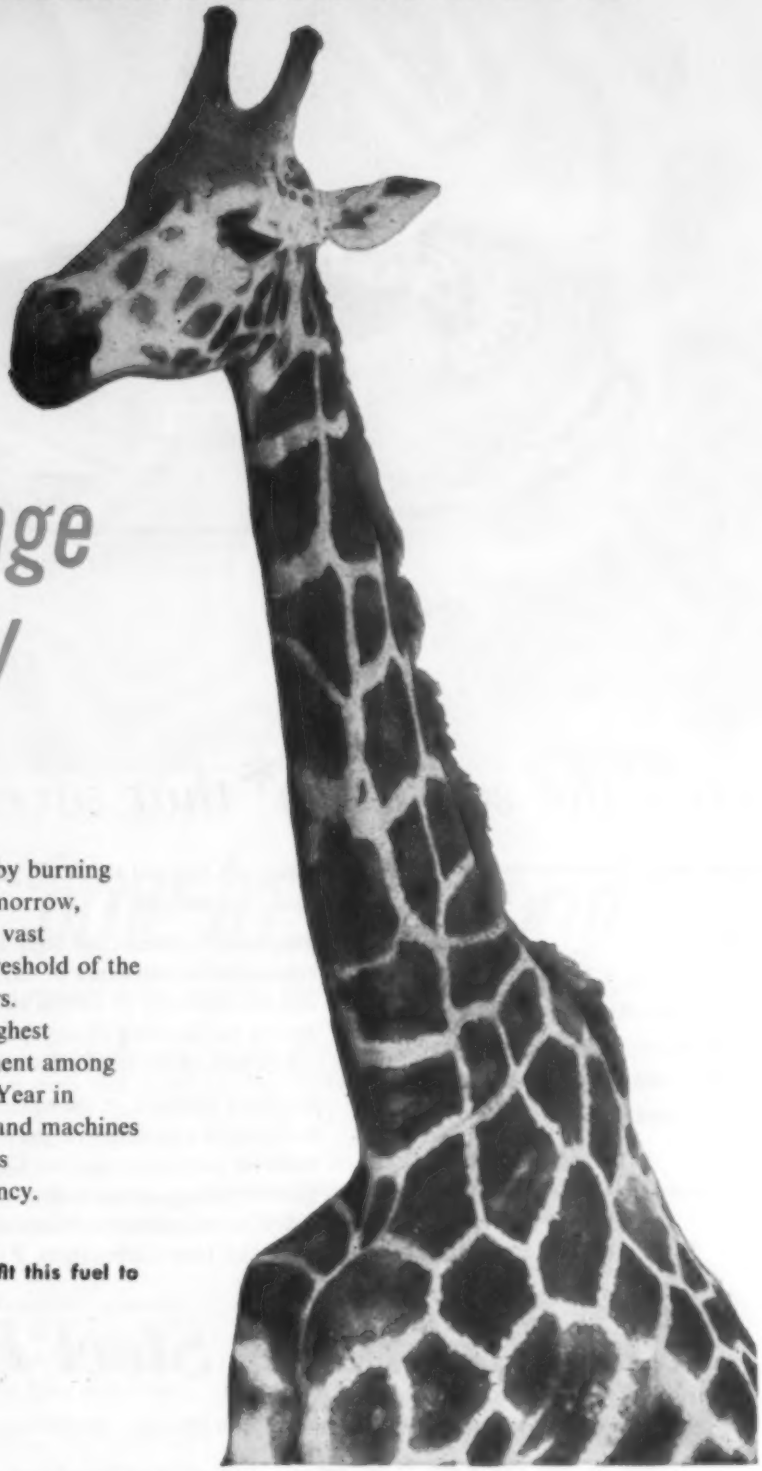

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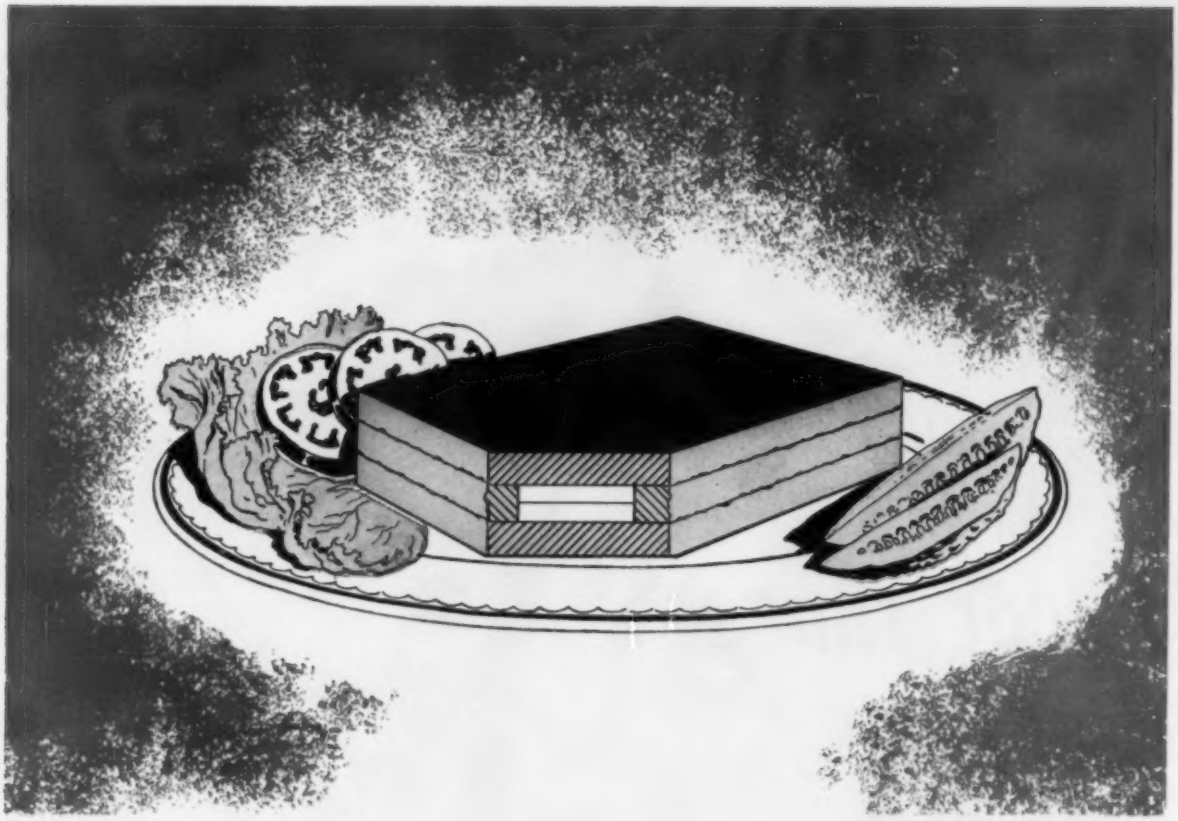

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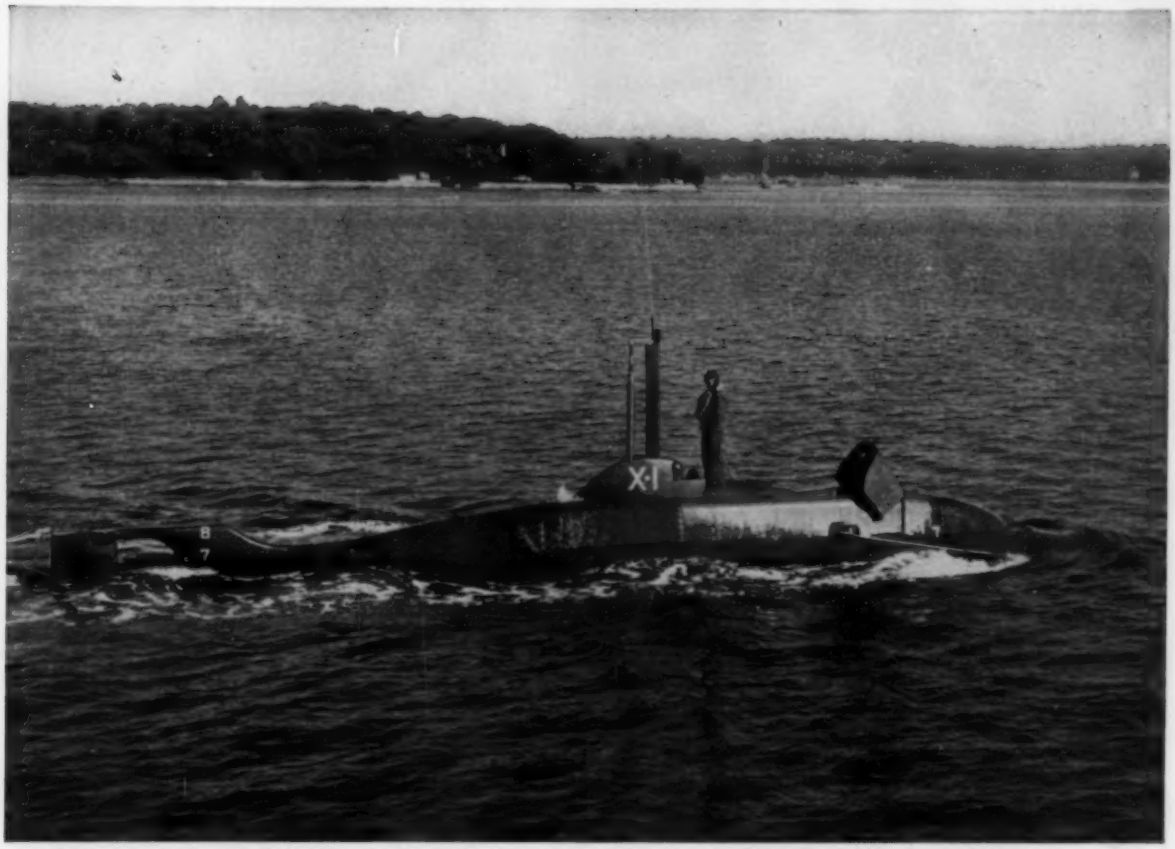


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# Metalworking Outlook

## Nine States Approve SUB

The auto industry's SUB plan will go into effect June 1 as scheduled. Operation of the layoff program had been contingent on rulings by states in which two-thirds of employees of each auto company work. The rulings had to provide that private payments could be made concurrently with state unemployment benefits. Michigan, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Delaware, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida and California have made favorable decisions.

## Wage Hike for 2 Million

On Mar. 1 about 2 million workers got wage boosts to bring their earnings up to the new federal minimum hourly rate of $1. Major impact on the economy will be in the South. There, says Commerce Clearing House, an estimated 28 per cent of affected workers in manufacturing will be raised. In the Northeast, 8 per cent will be raised; 4 per cent in the Midwest; and 2 per cent in the Far West. Few metalworking employees are involved. Most are in textile, lumber, leather and food processing industries.

## Steelworkers Meet

The wage policy committee of the United Steelworkers meets Mar. 6 and 7 in Chicago. Nothing formal will come out of the sessions, but groundwork for demands to be mapped later will be laid. Because of the steel industry's good profits in 1955 and thus far this year, the demands will probably be large. Major ones: Higher pay, SUB, premium pay for weekend work and full union shop.

## Educational Industry

An increasing number of companies are offering tuition-aid plans for employees, yet less than 5 per cent of those eligible take advantage of the offer. Those are findings by the National Industrial Conference Board in a study of 166 company programs. Nearly one-third of the 166 began their programs in the early 1950s. All 166 give financial aid for job-related courses, and most firms also permit other subjects. Most of the aid for nonrelated courses goes for cultural subjects, such as English and foreign languages and others leading to college degrees.

## The Executive Reserve

Look for federal agencies having essential wartime functions to start soon in recruiting executive reservists for emergency duty. A reservist must have "broad experience in production, manpower, transportation, etc." He must also: 1. Be willing to attend a training course at least once a year. 2. Be immediately available for assignment in case of mobilization. 3. Have the consent of his employer. 4. Notify the agency concerned of any changes in his availability.

## Changes in Steel

Watch this significant technical change that Inland Steel Co. is considering: It is studying continuous casting machinery to produce semifinished

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steel. Inland's program (see page 62) originally included another blooming mill, but that project will be suspended, pending the study of continuous casting.

## Integrated Western Plant?

U.S. Steel Corp. has plans for an integrated steel mill at its Columbia-Geneva Steel Division's Pittsburg, Calif., plant, but it may be as much as ten years away. The corporation bought some 600 acres adjacent to its plate and sheet plant early in 1955. The only integrated facility on the Pacific Coast is Kaiser's Fontana, Calif., mill.

## Help for Argentine Steel

It looks as though Argentina's $258-million integrated steel mill may finally get started. Export-Import Bank, Washington, has agreed to finance 60 per cent of purchases made for it in the U. S. Equipment bought here will cost some $100 million. Armco International Corp., Middletown, O., Arthur G. McKee & Co., Cleveland, and Westinghouse Electric International Co., New York, helped design the mill. It will have a 1300-ton blast furnace, by-product coke ovens, blooming and billet mills, rail and structural mills and facilities for plate, sheet, strip and tin plate. Ingot capacity will be 613,000 net tons yearly.

## Progress in Titanium

Marked price reductions on titanium sheet and other products may be in the cards. "If conversion of titanium pig to sheet were as efficient as the same process in aluminum, titanium sheet would sell at $9 a pound., compared with its present cost of $17 to $18," points out Cramet Inc., Chattanooga, Tenn. Cramet, whose 300-ton, double-melting furnace will soon be in full production, plans to make available a full range of mill products. Special attention will be given to small extrusions in a wide range of shapes. Sheet, strip, wire and rod will be available also. Annual consumption of up to 20,000 tons of titanium within a few years is likely, experts believe.

## Straws in the Wind

Wheeling Steel Corp., Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. and International Harvester Co. will join Inland Steel Co. and Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co. in the Marquette jasper project . . . Firth-Sterling Inc., Pittsburgh, will double its production of zirconium and will be able to make ingots up to 2000 lb. . . . January industrial furnace orders booked by Industrial Heating Equipment Association members rang in at $10.2 million, up 106 per cent over January of last year . . . GM announces downward adjustment of 1 cent an hour in the cost-of-living allowance paid to hourly workers . . . U. S. Chamber of Commerce calls unemployment compensation payments to Westinghouse strikers in Pennsylvania a "dangerous precedent."

# *When does surface smoothness begin to waste your money?*

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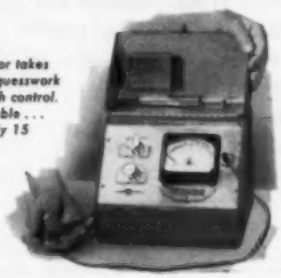

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# Industry's SUB for GAW

Economist Peter Drucker says the greatest single accomplishment of the American industrial system has been to elevate the American worker to the middle class.

Frequent and substantial wage increases, pensions, social insurance and many other benefits granted by industry since World War II have gone far in this direction. While they have added heavily to the cost of doing business and generally have been viewed with considerable apprehension by management, metalworking has taken them in stride. In the process, it has contributed to rising living standards, has enjoyed prolonged prosperity and now is on the threshold of its greatest expansion.

During coming labor negotiations, metalworking management will face up to a new issue designed to make the worker even more middle class: Supplementary Unemployment Benefits. Management will be well advised to make careful and objective study of the issue—its costs, its dangers and its possible benefits.

While the demand will be pressed by the unions, it should be remembered that SUB is a management invention—not a union gimmick. While the big unions were beating the drums for a guaranteed annual wage, which most management people thought impractical, industry was pondering an alternate plan. It emerged as SUB. The first major program was outlined by Ford Motor Co. Other plans, with important variations, were proposed by the glass industry, by the can companies, the Euclid Division of General Motors and others.

Ford recognizes the benefits as well as dangers of SUB. Says Vice President John Bugas: "We believe our plan serves the best interests of the company and employee alike . . . It has limited liability . . . It has predictable maximum costs . . . Its economic effect is contracyclical . . . It affects our business dealings just about like any other 5-cent labor cost increase.

"We are for the plan because we believe it will enhance materially the actual and psychological security of our employees. It will help to buttress the optimistic outlook which means so much for our future progress and prosperity."

Mr. Bugas believes management should approach the issue with a positive creative attitude. It will help you recognize and avoid these critical pitfalls: The encouragement of idleness by allowing too narrow a gap between pay for working and allowances for layoffs; plans that permit costs without limit; and programs that require the older and more skilled worker to ante up for the benefit of marginal employees.

Preparation and study will enable you to minimize the dangers and costs of SUB and maximize its benefits.

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# Get Set for SUB

**Your union may not ask for Supplemental Unemployment Benefits this year, but chances are it will eventually. Here are tips on how to cope with the demand**

YOU DON'T know if 1956 will be your year to ride the SUB tiger. But you should be studying the major contracts already signed to prepare for the demand, if and when it crosses your bargaining table.

**The Chances**—As one industrial relations executive put it: "Let's face it—SUB in some form is here to stay." What are your chances of having to meet the demand this year? Two factors weigh heavily:

1. What's the status of your pension, hospitalization and insurance programs? Many companies, particularly those in the under-500-employee group, haven't caught up with industry leaders on fringe benefits. Associated Industries of Cleveland reports that many of its members are being pressed for them in current bargaining.

2. Equally important is: Which union do you have to bargain with? If it's the autoworkers, chances are the SUB demand will be made. Since the Ford and GM pacts, Walter Reuther has remained inflexible on the SUB demand, especially in plants he considers "key targets" to strengthen his SUB pattern.

**Before June**—But several unions like the machinists and some smaller independents are not interested in SUB, particularly the Ford-type plan. They're more interested in wage boosts. The steelworkers are expected to seek a "vested" or income security type SUB program in "big steel" (see STEEL, Feb. 20, p. 65). But chances are good that if your contract talks come before June, your steelworkers group will not demand SUB.

Labor contracts vary from company to company—patterns of employment, production, layoffs and wages differ widely. That's why even though a few major SUB contracts have been signed, you don't necessarily have to follow them to the letter in your bargaining.

**Refinements** — "Sure, last year the SUB precedent was set," says one Chicago-area metalworker. "But 1956 will see the refinements developed. Certainly, the steelworkers' McDonald is going to seek a better plan than Reuther got for the autoworkers. And we in our company are going to press for a plan that'll better fit our needs."

The table (page 52) shows the highlights of the major SUB contracts in effect. Note the similarities: Cost to employers, amount of benefits paid. Major differences: Duration of payments, seniority and eligibility requirements, provisions for dependents, restrictions on benefit payments, individual account vesting.

**Next Year**—One labor negotiator in the Milwaukee area reports: "We've completed four or five USW contracts without SUB. They took 6 to 10 cents in a wage boost and are willing to wait until next year to follow any 'big steel' plan which may come this summer."

Metalworking contract settlements since October, incidentally, have ranged from 6 to 12 cents in direct wage boosts, plus expansion in pension, hospitalization and insurance programs. Noteworthy too: More two and three-year contracts among smaller firms.

**Considerations**—Primary considerations in studying a possible SUB plan for your company are contribution costs and your layoff record. For many companies the contributions could substantially reduce working capital. Severe employment cycles could deplete the SUB fund so rapidly that a 5-cent contribution would be inadequate.

While most of the major contracts involve a 5-cent-per-hour-per-employee contribution until a maximum fund limit is reached, several settlements have been made for less. Continental Can Co., for example, pays only 3 cents into its general fund, although the company has a contingent liability for 2 cents more if the fund becomes exhausted.

**The Albion Plan**—Albion Malleable Iron Co., Albion, Mich., makes contributions on the basis of the amount of money in the fund. Payment began at 1.9 per cent of the total payroll. Each four months a new compilation of the trust fund is made. As the fund amount increases toward the maximum, contributions decrease. At its maximum, the fund amounts to about $165 per employee, compared with nearly $400 in the Ford plan.

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## Features of the Major SUB Plans

| | FORD — GM | CAN COMPANIES |
|---|---|---|
| Benefit Duration | 26 weeks | 52 weeks |
| Weekly Maximum Benefit | $25 plus state U. C. | $25 plus state U. C. |
| Benefit if no state UI because of: | | |
| 1. Lack of qualifying wages | None | Up to schedule |
| 2. Duration exhausted | Regular 60% take home pay | $46.80 plus dependent's allowances |
| Take home pay equivalent | 65% 1st 4 weeks<br>60% next 22 weeks | 65% for 52 weeks |
| Eligibility | One year | Three years |
| Alternate method of drawing | None | None |
| Company Contribution | 5c per hour | 5c per hour—American<br>3c per hour—plus 2c contingent-Continental |
| Maximum funding per worker | $400 | —— |

tribution—designed to conserve the company's working capital—Albion Malleable pays the first four weeks of SUB benefits to employees from its own funds as current expense. Payments for the additional 22 weeks come from the SUB trust fund. Also part of Albion Malleable's plan: Family status provisions similar to those of Michigan's unemployment benefits.

**Layoff Patterns** — In studying your layoff patterns to determine what your maximum SUB fund should be, go back at least ten years. Most plans provide for a one-third layoff as the maximum fund protection. Important too: Can you do anything to stabilize operations and reduce layoffs?

**The Can Plan**—With its contingent liability feature, Continental Can has a real incentive to stabilize employment. In one of its plants it found that before 1955 employment fluctuated between 190 and 370 workers. That year it concentrated on reducing the seasonal variations by using more warehousing, transferring employees from department to department, making advanced sales estimates and using the figures to plan production emphasis to level off operations. Results: In 1955 employment fluctuated between 200 and 286 workers.

Additional factors to consider in evaluating your layoff experience: How many layoffs were due to general business conditions rather than seasonal influences? To supplier strikes? Re-tooling and model changes? Transportation problems? Weather? What proportion of workers laid off were not rehired?

**State Benefits**—Other points relating to the size and drain on the SUB fund are eligibility and the amount of your state unemployment compensation. The can companies require three years of service for eligibility, largely because of seasonal employment factors. Ford, GM, Allis-Chalmers and most metalworkers require a year of service.

Check on your state's unemployment compensation figures. You'll be paying the difference between those and 65 per cent of take-home pay—the higher the state payment, the lower your SUB benefit.

SUB is nothing more than a new cost of operation. The contribution cost will not decrease under current contracts expiring in 1958 because the maximum fund level will not be reached by then. Theoretically, the eventual cost of SUB will decrease substantially for the company that maintains stabilized employment. That's why it's important that you develop as accurate a picture as possible on what your specific SUB needs may be.

**More Interest**—Many executives feel that Mr. Reuther will not settle for the Ford program as it is—with its eventual decreasing costs. They see the CIO pushing for expansion of benefits which will not only maintain the present 5-cent contribution but increase it. That's one reason there's more interest today in the vested or income security type SUB plan, such as the glass plan or that of GM's Euclid Division.

STEEL will analyze the pros and cons of the two systems in its Mar. 19 issue.

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**Income Security Plans (Vested)**

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|---|---|---|
| 26 weeks | As long as unemployed or until personal account exhausted | 20 to 40 weeks |
| $25 plus state U. C. | 2/3 basic weekly rate with state U. C. | $15 to $30, not over 10% in personal account |
| Up to 65% take home pay<br>Full 65% take home pay | ½ basic weekly rate when<br>Not entitled to U. C. | Not tied to state U. C. in any way — can draw for unemployment or sickness |
| 65% for 26 weeks | —— | —— |
| One year | Seniority after Aug. 1, 1955 | One Year |
| May draw SUB in lump sum when U. C. exhausted | Final settlement on individual account on death, termination | Final settlement on individual account on death, termination |
| 5c per hour | 5c per hour | 5c per hour |
| $312 | None | $600, excess goes to vacation pay |

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HOW DO YOU keep men and equipment busy? Even in good times, the question continues to plague the steel industry. Finding an answer becomes more urgent as costs rise with each new labor contract.

A. F. Franz, president, Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp., Denver, is attacking the problem with a program designed to keep facilities producing the year around. At CF&I's Pueblo, Colo., plant, where a new open hearth will boost capacity to 1,685,000 tons by July, several plans are taking shape.

**Pueblo**—The rod mill now makes wire rods for processing into wire and wire products. By adding run-out tables and a pair of 320-ft cooling beds, it will also be able to produce plain and reinforcing bars in straight lengths from 750-lb billets. This revamping job will be completed by August. Additional equipment for making concrete reinforcing mesh has been installed to round out its wire products.

Warehouse space is being expanded to inventory products (like baling wire) subject to seasonal demand. Says Mr. Franz: "We believe it's important that we do everything possible to employ labor on a steady basis even to the extent of inventorying seasonal items. We can cut down idle plant time and create steady employment. Laying off men and then bringing them back is more costly than additional inventory.

"The men like the idea, too. I've been trying to put myself in the place of a guy that earns, say, $100 a week. If he knows he's going to get $100 a week steadily, why he's going to be a darn sight better worker than if he knows he's going to get $100 a week for 40 weeks a year."

A stretch mill is being added to the seamless pipe mill to produce 2⅜ and 2⅞-in. pipe from larger diameters.

Mr. Franz keeps the rail mill busy by using it to produce billets and tube rounds as well as rails.

**Buffalo**—CF&I is completing a similar program. Open-hearth capacity is being increased by 100,000 tons to 350,000 tons a year. Two new welded fabric machines are in anticipation of an expanding road program.

**Palmer**—On Feb. 20 the company began moving its Worcester, Mass., spring operation to Palmer, Mass., where it now has a wire and wire rope plant. Antiquated machines will be scrapped. Others will be rebuilt and moved to Palmer. There, springmaking capacity will be doubled. Among products that will supplement a line of standard industrial springs: Auto trunk and garage door springs.

President Franz figures the program will help stabilize employment as well as keep equipment busy. His method: Build a broader product base within a framework of expansion and plant modernization.

Ticklish work on the diode assembly line at Transistor Products

# Transition in Transistors

THE TRANSISTOR, eight years ago just a promising offshoot of the diode industry, eventually may be wagging the dog.

The table below shows how production has been skyrocketing. The diode, too, has shown growth, but nothing like the companion product's gains. In 1948 the capital investment in transistors started at about $100,000. Last year, transistor sales hit $12.2 million, estimates Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers' Association, Washington. Industrymen believe that output may climb threefold this year.

By 1960, estimates put production at a minimum of 70 million units. Much of the new volume will come in replacing the vacuum tube. "Transistors," explains A. Coblenz, assistant to the president, Clevite Corp.'s Transistor Products Division, Waltham, Mass., "can perform all the functions of the vacuum tube."

**Magic $1** — Manufacturers acknowledge that there are some vacuum tube jobs that may never be in danger from the transistor. "But," adds Mr. Coblenz, "within three years, transistor prices will average under $1."

Bell Laboratories Inc., New York, points to telephone carrier and control systems as major markets. It already has one rural experimental setup operating successfully. Other markets which will be opened up within the next five years include all types of communications equipment like paging and intercom systems.

**Development**—Signs of the big transistor breakthrough came last year, when the first volume orders were placed for portable and auto radio use. At least seven makers are in production.

Says one transistor expert: "Spit on a copper penny and put it against a blotter, and you get enough juice to work a transistor." Low power requirements are a major reason for the success of the transistor, which has been used in hearing aids since 1952. In 1954, say market men at General Electric Co.'s Syracuse plant, 75 per cent of all transistors sold went to the hearing aid market. Producers expect that by 1960, all portable and auto radios will be transistorized.

**Established** — Diode economics differ. They were used in the early crystal set radios until displaced by the vacuum tube, which could amplify as well as detect a signal. Then, in 1939, the silicon diode was rediscovered as the best detector of the high-frequency radar signal. Since then, diode development has been continuous.

The result: Low-power diodes

## Transistor, Diode Output Jumps

| | Transistors | Diodes |
|---|---|---|
| 1956 | 9,000,000 | 17,000,000 |
| 1955 | 3,600,000 | 15,000,000 |
| 1954 | 1,300,000 | 7,000,000 |

Figures are industry estimates by General Electric Co.

have made an established place in TV sets, in computers and in other applications where their function is to rectify and detect. Diodes also are being built with enough current-carrying capacity for industrial use. Used in plating equipment, for example, their main function is to convert alternating to direct current. Clevite's biggest germanium power diode will handle up to 300 amps of continuous forward current.

Between 1946 and 1955, estimates are that some 75 million diodes were made. Though continued sales gains are certain, few makers look for the marked upswing expected of the transistor, since markets are more established.

**Status** — Most makers produce both transistors and diodes. In either, they are far from their goal of automation. Transistor orders above 50,000 units are still the exception, and assembly demands techniques more skilled than those of a watchmaker. Compared with steelmaking practice, making the germanium or silicon "heart" of the semiconductor is still on a laboratory basis. Materials must be as pure as 1 part in 100 million.

Despite the difficulties, many makers are in the second stage of mechanization, with one machine now doing the job of three or four. Westinghouse Electric Corp. is getting into production at its new plant in Youngwood, Pa. Germanium Products Corp., Jersey City, N. J., has a plant designed to turn out up to 10,000 transistors a week.

**Outlook**—Today, only about a dozen companies are active producers of both diodes and transistors. There may soon be more. Bell has some 60 licensees. Development work on both the product and its uses continues. Clevite lists some 150 different applications. In industry, steel mill controls, rectifiers for generators and welders and ultrasensitive photoelectric cells are hot ones.

Dr. William Shockley, who pioneered transistor development for Bell, and now heads up Beckam Instrument Inc.'s new lab at Stanford, Calif., believes we may see more than a 100-fold increase in transistor output within the next five or ten years.

*An electronic data processing system is a natural for . . .*

# Fewer Clerks: More Data

THE NUMBER of people employed in offices has jumped 150 per cent in 30 years, but there is still a shortage of clerical help.

Electronic data processing (EDP) is a natural step toward solution of this problem, over 1000 management men were told at American Management Association's conference on Electronics at Work.

**How To Start** — You can't just go out and buy electronic computers and data processing equipment. Alfred M. Wilson, executive vice president, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., explains that M-H: 1. Initiated a feasibility survey. 2. Decided what types of new data were a must. 3. Looked into the problems of centralized and decentralized data processing. 4. Estimated what effect such installations would have on employees.

While these investigations eat up valuable time, Mr. Wilson points out: "Last year, while we were spending $42,000 on the feasibility survey, our analysts found elements of inefficiency and developed improvements which have produced annual savings of $56,000."

**Purchase vs. Rental**—Some will buy, others rent. It will depend largely on company size, financial obligations, money available, etc. One advocate of purchasing EDP equipment told STEEL: "It will be cheaper to buy . . . the equipment will not be antiquated too quickly." Reason: All electronic data processing systems are unitized. While one unit may have to be replaced from time to time, it will take many years to obsolete the entire installation.

**New Jobs** — Conference speakers reported that there will be a host of new jobs in the areas of preparing data, interpreting results and taking action based on information obtained. This will call for extensive training programs in advance of installations. Crux: White collar workers will have to shoulder added responsibility, be more highly trained. Production workers will receive the benefits of inventory studies, production and sales analyses, which will help to level the peaks and valleys of the production cycle.

Commercial Controls Corp. shows electronic data processing machine

# Russia Strives To Catch Up

## American experts find Soviet engineering good in automated bearing plant, but production techniques lag in auto and tractor plants

WITHIN 15 years Russian production facilities may be superior to ours. That warning was sounded by Nevin L. Bean of Ford Motor Co. before the Detroit chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Bean says the interest in automation appears to be greater in Russia than in the U. S. Russians no longer build manual production machines if automated lines can be made. And they expect to use computers in automation.

Mr. Bean, Dr. Weldon Brandt, Westinghouse Electric Corp., and Dr. A. C. Hall, Bendix Aviation Corp., visited Russia in December. They were the first engineers to see Russian industrial processes since World War II. Russian engineers visited this country last fall.

**Russia's Progress** — Mr. Bean says: "If plans we saw are carried out, Russian factories will have the machinery and techniques to make giant production strides within the next five years. Within ten years many of their production facilities will be comparable to ours, and within 15 years their production facilities and techniques may be superior to ours unless a new emphasis is placed on automated production designing in this country."

**Autos**—At Gorki, the engineers visited a plant that makes 1000 vehicles a day—120 passenger cars, 100 Gaz 69s (similar to the jeep) and 780 trucks.

The plant has 45,000 workers and an area of about 10.8 million sq ft. Electrical equipment for the cars is made elsewhere, as are tires, art leather, textiles and batteries. Dr. Brandt says the practice seems to be similar to U. S. as far as the division of parts made by automotive companies and those purchased outside is concerned. About 15 per cent of the value of the cars represents purchased equipment.

A new car, the Volga, has been designed to replace the Pobyetta, in production since 1946. The 4-cylinder Volga can go 80 mph. It has 70 hp and a compression ratio of 6:6. It uses 70-octane gas. And it has an automatic transmission. The Russians use 12-volt electrical systems and sealed beam lights.

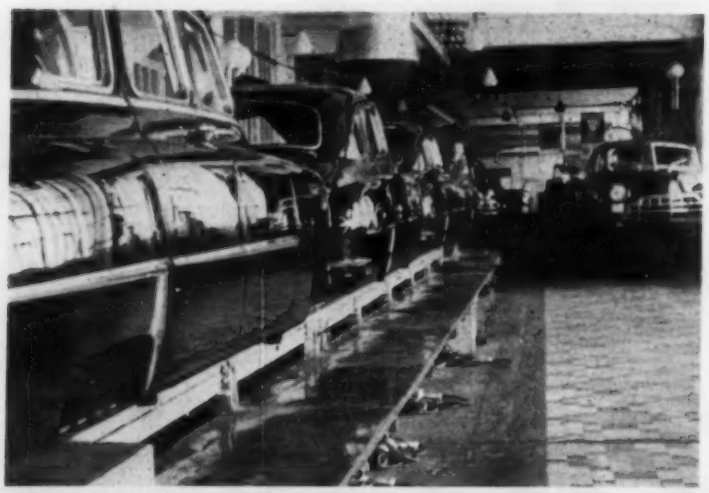
**Automation**—Mr. Bean says the most completely automated facility he saw was the Kaganovitch ball bearing plant, the top bearing producer in the Soviet Union. It makes about 60 million bearings a year. About 1300 types range from 150-gram production bearings to 4-ton specials.

One production line is completely automated, including the handling between processes. Hot rolled forgings are dumped into hoppers at the start of manufacture. Then the parts go to automatic chuckers, through heat treating, grinding, inspection, assembly and testing and on to a packaging machine where the bearings are wrapped in oil paper and sealed in individual cardboard packages. Soviet plans call for about 30 automated bearing lines by 1960.

Another bearing line uses standard machines with automatic handling between operations.

Red progress in machine tools is reported in Feb. 20 issue of STEEL, page 125.

**Summing Up**—The *London Times* says in basic industry and engineering the Soviet Union is ahead of western Europe. Now Russia aspires to catch up with the U. S. However, the Communists have quite a way to go. Mr. Bean says: "On the whole, the Russian plants we saw are not as productive as those in this country. They are not as well organized, not as clean and not as well lighted. Most materials handling systems are obsolete. Much of the machinery is old, but most of it is in good condition and used to good advantage. However, we found that many of these adverse conditions are in the process of being changed."



Industrial workers can make 800 to 900 rubles a month; engineers earn up to 2500 rubles a month, but the Russian car costs 20,000 rubles

## AISE Meets in Los Angeles

Ingot production capacity of 11 western states has more than tripled since 1940 while population has doubled, W. J. McClung, vice president, Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., recently told the Association of Iron & Steel Engineers in Los Angeles.

Mr. McClung said ingot capacity in 1940 was 2,165,720 tons, compared with today's 7,131,470 tons.

Over 400 attended the annual regional meeting of the association, which included a symposium on continuous annealing of strip steel.

*U. S. Steel's drum plant means more customer service as . . .*

# Steel Containers Roll

MORE STEEL drums will roll off production lines this year as producers expand to meet increased demand.

**New Highs** — Sales of heavy drums totaled 24.8 million in 1955, highest mark since the Korean War year of 1951, reports the Steel Shipping Container Institute Inc., New York. Lighter drum sales topped 8.7 million last year. A record, this exceeded 1954 sales by almost 1 million.

Pail shipments also set a new mark at 74.9 million, compared with 67.1 million in 1954.

Outlook in 1956 is for shipments of about 24.5 million heavy drums, 9.5 million light drums and 80 million pails. A spokesman for Rheem Mfg. Co., New York, estimates its sales of steel containers will increase "by a minimum of 5 per cent in 1956," with the chemical and petroleum industries leading the way.

**Problem Solving** — Encouraging sales figures demonstrate that this industry is overcoming some old handicaps. Shipments to the leading user, petroleum, declined from 1951 to 1954 as that industry used more pipeline facilities. Reconditioners of old drums cut into sales of new drums. Shipment from midwestern plants to eastern and southern oil and chemical firms was time-consuming.

Aggressive salesmanship helped to solve these problems. Rheem increased sales by making its product more attractive—decorating drums in as many as six colors. Inland Steel Container Co., Chicago, reports strong sales of drums with special protective linings to the chemical industry.

**Best Customers**—Last year that industry purchased 37 per cent of all heavy drums and petroleum producers took 42 per cent. Food, paint and armed services each bought 2 to 6 per cent.

Leading pail customers last year were paint with 27 per cent of shipments, and petroleum with 23 per cent. Other buyers include chemical producers and shippers of adhesives, glue, cement and ceramics.

**Reconditioners Lose**—There's a trend toward printing advertising messages on the drum. This boosts demand for new drums at the expense of reconditioned drums.

Inland Steel Container's Cleveland plant reports sales of these drums and pails have tripled over the course of the last five years. Inland has over 100 customers who use advertising messages.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.'s new Port Arthur, Tex., plant includes a unit for giving drums a protective surface to increase durability of paint or lacquer and to prevent rust.

Several other drum manufacturers are expanding for better service to customers. Calig Steel Drum Co., Pittsburgh, is now completing an expansion program to round out its product line. J&L's Port Arthur plant was the third opened by its container division in two years.

**Quicker Service** — Problem of speeding shipments to users has been met by such new plants as that of U. S. Steel Corp.'s Products Division in Camden, N. J. Officials expect to produce 2.3 million drums and 3.2 million pails annually in this plant, opened in 1955. They'll go to petroleum, paint, chemical and food industries with major installations in the East. With chemical and petroleum expansion plans set for eastern locations, you may see more eastward moves by drum producers.

*Many motives, many plans come to the fore as . . .*

# Corporate Taxes Eyed

TAX RELIEF for small business and the graduated corporate income tax are getting a working over in Congress. Much of the current talk is thought to be political haymaking, but there's a possibility of something happening.

Sen. J. William Fulbright (Dem., Ark.), for example, has served notice he will try to amend the forthcoming bill to extend present rates of corporate income tax and excises. (That bill must be passed by Mar. 31 and is considered a shoo-in in view of federal money needs and the political climate—unless complications develop.)

**Turnaround**—Senator Fulbright's proposal would, in effect, reverse the current corporate tax setup: The "normal" tax rate would be reduced from 30 per cent to 22. The surtax on net income over $25,000 would be upped from 22 per cent to 30.

But under that setup, the government would lose $300 million to $400 million; so the senator has in reserve a second proposal to boost the surtax to 31 per cent—and that would gain the government $20 million, he says.

**Progression**—In the House, Rep. Wright Patman (Dem., Tex.) also would reduce the "normal" tax rate from 30 per cent to 22. But he proposes a graduated surtax. It would start when corporate net income hit $100,000. When corporate income increased tenfold, the surtax rate would go up 10 percentage points. The maximum marginal rate (normal, plus surtax) would be 75 per cent and would apply to income over $1 billion.

Proponents of bills to change corporate income tax rates give as major reasons: 1. To protect and encourage small businesses. 2. To allow them to retain more money for expansion, research and better management. 3. To encourage investment in small firms, and to make it easier for them to raise money in other ways. 4. To check the merger movement. 5. To possibly encourage the breaking up of "supergiant" corporations.

**Nays**—Opponents say: 1. A progressive income tax would take away from small firms the incentive to expand, from the larger ones, the ability to expand. 2. It wouldn't make small businesses more attractive for investment capital because of the risk involved in a small firm vs. the security of a larger one. 3. Once progressive tax rates get a foot on the stairs, they'll keep climbing until rates are even worse than they are.

Representative Patman himself points out a possible difficulty in administering a graduated income setup: "If experience with the progressive tax rates shows there is developing a tendency to create subsidiary corporations (which are permitted to file separate tax returns) as a means of evading the impact of the progressive rates, then it may become necessary to amend the law further to prevent such evasion—by requiring consolidated returns, by decreasing the amount of exemption on intercorporate dividends or by other means."

**Action**—The possibility of action on any of the proposals this year is regarded as slim. Some certain opposition and the fact that congressmen will want to get away early from Washington to start campaigning will work against it. But wait until next year; they'll be back for serious consideration.

## Here and There

• The Natural Gas Bill is dead for this year. Any attempt to override the President's veto would have to originate in the House because it passed the bill first. Since passage there was by only six votes and a two-thirds majority is needed to override the veto, any such attempt is looked on as foredoomed.

• A Senate Armed Services subcommittee will undertake an investigation of the Air Force's guided missile program, which Committee Chairman Richard B. Russell (Dem., Ga.) regards as inadequate. Senator Russell also has said he will try to get a $1.5 billion increase in the budget.

• Defense department wants Congress to authorize 275 positions in the $10,000-to-$15,000 bracket for scientists, plus 50 upper level scientific and professional positions in the National Security Agency. Lack of higher grade positions is hampering budget management, research and management development programs, says Deputy Defense Secretary Reuben B. Robertson.

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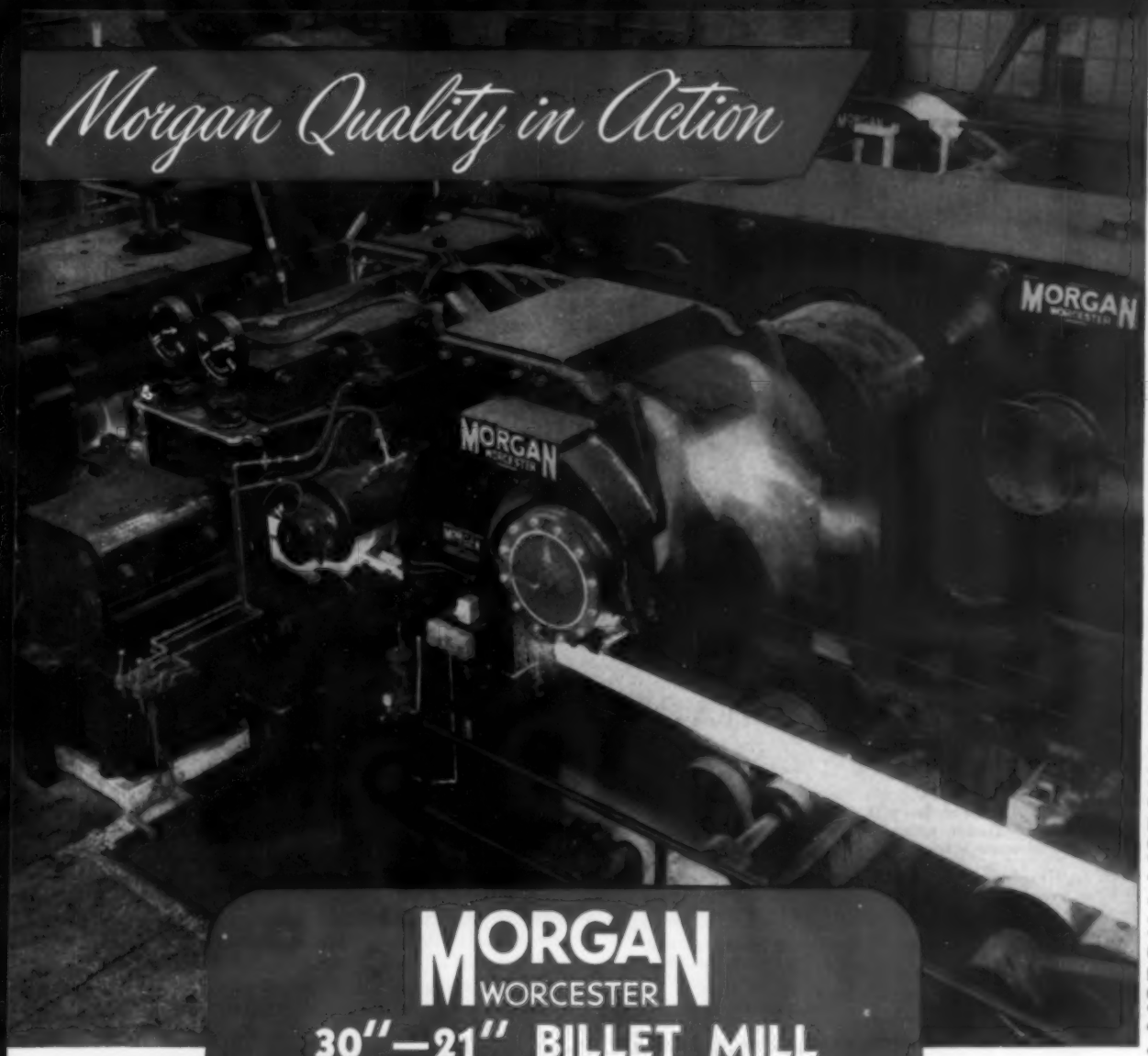


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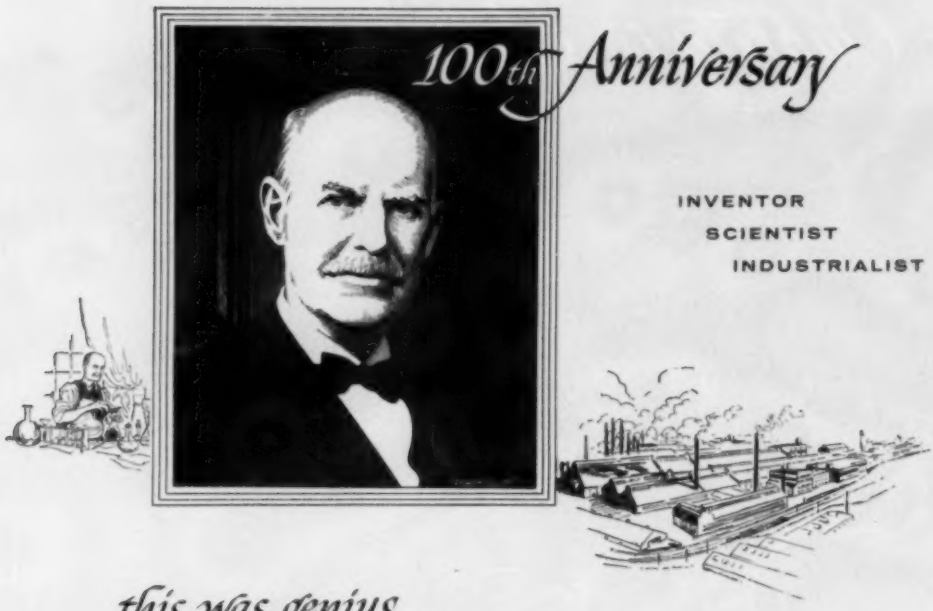


*this was genius . . .*

# EDWARD GOODRICH ACHESON

***Yes, this was genius.***

***Thomas A. Edison knew it.*** In paying tribute upon the occasion of Doctor Acheson's passing, he said "... as a former associate I know the world loses a great genius."

***Leo Hendrik Baekeland knew it.*** He remembered him "as a man who combined a most fertile brain with great strength of conviction."

***Walter B. Pitkin knew it.*** This famous psychologist said "As he created his place in our civilization so does that place pass with him. None shall fill it."

***And the press knew it.*** They used in their editorials such phrases as "world's acclaim of a genius," "one of the geniuses of his time," and "the loss of an inventive genius."

***But what makes genius?***

Employing a mixture of carbon, sand, salt, and sawdust in a simple but effective electric furnace, made up of a few strands of wire, a carbon rod, and a plumber's bowl, Edward Goodrich Acheson was able to bring into being a mass of scintillating crystals rivaling many gems in splendor and almost matching the diamond in hardness. These highly abrasive crystals he crushed and made into grinding wheels, and these wheels, in turn, were used to shape metals and make machines. Called "Carborundum" by Acheson and silicon carbide by the chemist, this new material did its job so well that it is credited with making possible today the mass production of automobiles, tractors, and countless other mechanisms.

Possibly silicon carbide could be made better—harder or sharper. To this end Acheson subjected silicon carbide to higher temperatures for longer periods; what he obtained was not a harder substance but, instead, one of the softest—pure graphite. The extreme conditions to which he had exposed his jewels of industry brought about their disintegration, the silicon passing off as vapor and the carbon remaining as a soft, unctuous residue. Manufactured graphite, destined to be of far-reaching importance, became another of Acheson's contributions to industry.

Unquenchable curiosity, coupled with the indomitable spirit that was his, led him to uncover means of preparing this new product of the electric furnace in the form of plates and cylinders. Put to work as electrodes, these soon revolutionized electrochemical and electrometallurgical operations. Acheson had now made commercially feasible the production of new families of chemicals and laid the groundwork for the present efficient manufacture of steel and alloys.

During Acheson's painstaking efforts to produce graphite crucibles he experimented with many clays for use as binding agents—and he learned much about them—so much in fact that he was able to explain why the ancient Egyptians used straw in their brick making and what caused the formation of the deltas of the Nile and Mississippi. Most important, he discovered a method of rendering graphite colloidal.

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# Ford's Walker: Quick Change Artist

"CHANGES are our business," says George W. Walker, vice president and director of styling, Ford Motor Co., Detroit.

"An industrial stylist has to design a product so pleasing that millions of hands will want to reach out and buy it," he asserts. Mr. Walker knows what he's talking about. He's rated as one of the top men in a design conscious industry.

**3000 Products**—Before joining Ford in May, 1955, he acted as design consultant on Ford, Lincoln and Mercury automobiles nine years. He also had his own industrial design firm in Detroit. Over the last 25 years Mr. Walker and his associates styled more than 3000 products ranging from cars to kitchen clocks.

He admits that his biggest thrill was designing the 1949 Ford in three months—after everyone else said it couldn't be done.

**Medic**—"Stylists are doctors of industry," Mr. Walker claims. "When sales are sick, they come in and pep 'em up!" This calls for an astute knowledge of what the buying public wants. He feels this is particularly true of the automobile business where cars are designed two or three years ahead of production schedules.

In an era when stylists are holding most of the trump cards in autobuilding circles, Mr. Walker points out: "People instinctively recognize good styling, but they have to be led up to the point where they will accept it. They can't be pushed."

**With Pencil**—A man who draws as he talks, Mr. Walker punctuates his remarks with sketches. He says: "Styling is the most important factor that people can control today. Their automobile symbolizes a perfect way of life. They want it sleek, sophisticated and comfortable. It's up to the stylists to interpret their wants and put them on the drawing board."

Mr. Walker has been doing just that since he first worked as an illustrator on the Cleveland-built Peerless car. Born in Chicago, May 22, 1896, he moved to Cleveland and studied art at the Cleveland School of Art; later at Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles.

His nonstyling career includes a tour of pro football. He played quarter and halfback for the old Los Angeles Wingfeet and for the former Cleveland Panthers.

Mr. Walker is married and has two children. During World War II, he served as a special design consultant for the Army Ordnance Dept.

## Where Steel Ingot Capacities Are Being Increased

| Company | Place of Expansion | Ingot Expansion (Net tons) | Type of Steelmaking Facilities | Completion Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. Steel Corp. | Chicago | 1,500,000 | | |
| | Geneva, Utah | 380,000 | Enlarge 10 open hearths | |
| | Other plants | 620,000 | | |
| Total | | 2,500,000 | | By end of 1958 |
| Bethlehem Steel Co. | Bethlehem, Pa. | 500,000 | | |
| | Lackawanna, N. Y. | 500,000 | | |
| | Sparrows Point, Md. | 2,000,000 | Rebuild open hearths and add 7 open hearths | |
| Total | | 3,000,000 | | By August, 1957 |
| Republic Steel Corp. | Chicago | 372,000 | Improve 3 electric furnaces | |
| | Cleveland | 792,000 | Enlarge open hearths and add 2 open hearths | |
| | Gadsden, Ala. | 204,000 | 1 or 2 new electric furnaces | |
| | Warren, O. | 408,000 | 2 new electric furnaces | |
| | Youngstown | Being studied | | |
| Total | | 1,776,000 | | By mid-1957 |
| Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. | Aliquippa, Pa. | 300,000 | 2 oxygen converters | |
| | Cleveland | 400,000 | Improve open hearths and add 2 electric furnaces | |
| Total | | 700,000 | | 1957 |
| National Steel Corp. | | | | |
| Great Lakes Steel Corp. | Detroit | 650,000 | | |
| Weirton Steel Co. | Weirton, W. Va. | 350,000 | Includes addition of 1 open hearth | Mid-1959 |
| Total | | 1,000,000 | | |
| Inland Steel Co. | Indiana Harbor, Ind. | 800,000 | Add 3 open hearths | By 1959 |
| Armco Steel Corp. | | | | |
| | Middletown, O. | 630,000 | Add 3 open hearths | |
| | Sheffield Steel Div. | 420,000 | | |
| Total | | 1,050,000 | | By January, 1958 |

# Steel Expansion Goes Ahead

STEEL INDUSTRY expansion is moving along at a 4-million-ton-a-year average. That's the pace predicted by Bethlehem Steel Co.'s president, Arthur B. Homer, last May (see STEEL, Sept. 5, 1955, p. 41).

Projects which steel producers have announced, or are willing to reveal, total 14.2 million net tons (see table above). Most of them will be completed in the next three years.

**In the Billions**—Outlay in 1956 for new equipment and construction will set a record—$1.2 billion, the American Iron & Steel Institute says. To expand the nation's steelmaking capacity by 60 million tons (which Mr. Homer says must happen) over the next 15 years (1956 through 1970), the industry will spend $16.5 billion in addition to the 1956 outlay of $1.2 billion, STEEL estimates. Additional billions will be spent for replacement of present capacity. Steelmaking facilities last about 25 years.

Electric furnaces are making a strong numerical gain. Of the new steelmaking furnaces already decided upon, ten are electric arcs. That's equivalent to 4 per cent of the number of electrics in existence on Jan. 1, 1956. The 22 new open hearths already announced are equivalent to 2.4 per cent of the number of open hearths in the country on that date. Four new oxygen converters for making steel are also revealed. There are three such converters now.

**Three New Stacks**—Included in the iron and steel industry expansion are three new blast furnaces. One will be a 1200-ton-a-day stack at Granite City, Ill., for Granite City Steel Co.; one will be a 1000-ton-a-day furnace at North Birmingham, Ala., for United States Pipe & Foundry Co.; and the third will be at Sparrows Point, Md., for Bethlehem Steel Co.

**Another Way**—Expansion is not limited to furnaces. Some companies which can make more steel than they can process are expanding their finishing facilities. One company doing this is Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Pittsburgh. It will spend $30 million in 1956 and 1957 to build up its finishing capacity to its basic steelmaking capacity. Another company is International Harvester Co., Chicago. It

| Company | Place of Expansion | Ingot Expansion (Net tons) | Type of Steelmaking Facilities | Completion Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. | Claymont, Del. | 400,500 | | |
| | Pueblo, Colo. | 200,000 | Add 1 open hearth | July, 1956 |
| | Tonawanda, N. Y. | 55,000 | Open-hearth improvements | 1956 |
| Total | | 655,500 | | |
| Wheeling Steel Corp. | Steubenville, O. | 270,000 | | 1957 |
| Sharon Steel Corp. | Farrell, Pa. | 350,000 | Add 3 open hearths | 1956 |
| Kaiser Steel Corp. | Fontana, Calif. | 633,000* | Install 2 oxygen converters* | Early 1958 |
| Pittsburgh Steel Co. | Monessen, Pa. | 185,000 | Open-hearth improvements | Mid-1957 |
| Crucible Steel Co. of America | Midland, Pa. | 72,000 | Open-hearth improvements | 1956 |
| Granite City Steel Co. | Granite City, Ill. | 360,000 | Open-hearth improvements | By early 1958 |
| Northwestern Steel & Wire Co. | Sterling, Ill. | 250,000* | Add 1 electric furnace* | |
| Milton Steel Products Div. Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. | Milton, Pa. | 25,000 | Add 1 electric furnace | March, 1956 |
| Detroit Steel Corp. | Portsmouth, O. | 160,000 | Add 1 open hearth | 1956 |
| Alan Wood Steel Co. | Conshohocken, Pa. | 175,000 | Add 1 open hearth | Mid-1956 |
| Copperweld Steel Co. | Warren, O. | 41,620 | Electric furnace improvement | By end of 1956 |
| Lone Star Steel Co. | Lone Star, Tex. | Being studied | | |
| Laclede Steel Co. | Alton, Ill. | 60,000 | Enlarge 4 open hearths | July, 1957 |
| Keystone Steel & Wire Co. | Peoria, Ill. | 75,000 | Enlarge 4 open hearths | Late 1957 |
| Continental Steel Corp. | Kokomo, Ind. | 27,580 | Improvement of handling equipment | Late 1956 |
| Carpenter Steel Co. | Reading, Pa. | 16,000 | Add 1 electric furnace | By June 1, 1956 |
| Southern Electric Steel Co. | Birmingham | 35,000 | Add 1 electric furnace | 1957 |
| TOTAL | | 14,216,700 | | |

*Being considered.

will complete a $10-million program this year to up its finishing capacity into line with an ingot capacity which has been expanded 200,000 tons. Then, International Harvester will use a figure of 1.2 million tons (instead of 1 million) for its ingot capacity.

**It Takes Steel**—The steel expansion program is adding pressure to the already heavy demand for steel. For every ton of steel ingot capacity built, 0.4 of a ton of steel is required.

## Southern Mill Ready To Roll

A new steel producer—Southern Electric Steel Co.—will start rolling operations soon.

The company, located on a 25-acre site at Birmingham, has been producing ingots since Dec. 22. It has one electric arc melting furnace with an annual capacity of 30,000 net tons of steel, and is considering the addition of one with an annual capacity of 35,000 tons.

The company's products will be bar-size shapes produced on a 16-in. mill and a 12-in. mill.

The firm, a closed corporation formed last April, is headed by H. P. Bigler, president; R. W. Scholl, executive vice president; and W. M. Neal, vice president.

Mr. Bigler was executive vice president of Connors Steel Co., Birmingham, before it was acquired by H. K. Porter Company Inc., Pittsburgh, and Mr. Scholl was assistant vice president at Connors. Mr. Neal was vice president and secretary of Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Co., Birmingham, before it was merged into United States Pipe & Foundry Co.

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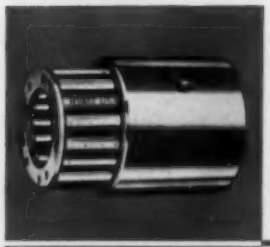
### Billions for Steel Expansion

| | Billions |
|---|---|
| 1957-1970 | $16.5* |

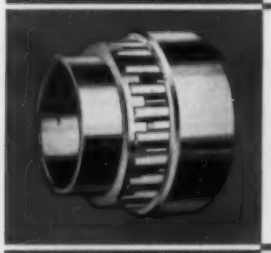
**For New Equipment and Construction†**

| | Millions |
|---|---|
| 1956‡ | $1,200 |
| 1955 | 730 |
| 1954 | 680 |
| 1953 | 1,000 |
| 1952 | 1,170 |
| 1951 | 1,041 |
| 1950 | 513 |
| 1949 | 510 |
| 1948 | 583 |
| 1947 | 496 |
| 1946 | 291 |

*STEEL's estimate. †Source, American Iron & Steel Institute. ‡Estimated.

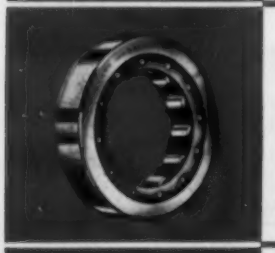


**TRUNNIONED ROLLER CAGE**—Economical for volume use on thin-annulus bearings. End rings are hardened steel stampings, connected by riveted bars interspersed between rollers to form an integral unit. Races can be omitted if desired.

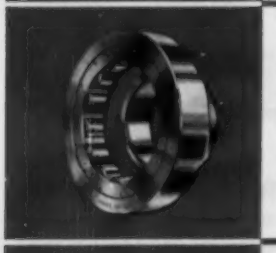


**POCKETED END RING CAGE** — Designed for fairly large bore bearings in heavy-duty service. Rollers are guided accurately by pockets drilled in bronze end rings. Riveted connecting bars form an integral unit, so races can be omitted if desired.

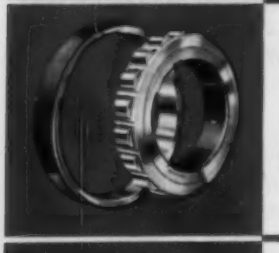
**STAMPED STEEL SEPARATOR** — Economical for volume use on wide range of bearings with short rollers. A single steel stamping with bars coined to conform to roller contour. Simple, open design assures large lubricant capacity and good circulation.



**FORMED BAR CAGE**—Well adapted for volume use on heavy-duty bearings. Hardened steel end rings are connected by cold-rolled shaped bars conforming to roller diameter. Insures quiet operation, better roller guidance, and the smooth surface of bars protects rollers.



**DRILLED POCKET CAGE**—Used on better-grade bearings to provide extremely close control of rollers, which operate in pockets drilled and reamed in bronze cylinder. Riveted ring on one end retains rollers permanently, so races may be omitted if desired.



**SEPARABLE BROACHED POCKET CAGE**—Used only on finest high-speed bearings. An integral bronze cylinder with pockets broached for maximum uniformity. Insures minimum friction, better oil circulation for cooling. Rollers can be removed for inspection.

**NON-SEPARABLE BROACHED POCKET CAGE**—Similar to the above and offers all the same operating advantages. Used for "blind" installations where rollers must be retained with inner or outer race. Roller drop controlled by deforming bars after rollers are placed.

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**The basic parts of a roller bearing are the rollers, the races, and the *retainer* which locates and guides the rollers. There are significant differences in the design and construction of retainers, which influence bearing cost and performance. Some are simple and economical, well adapted for volume production; others are more costly but insure improved roller guidance, or cooler and smoother operation, or longer heavy-duty service. The seven basic types in current use are illustrated.**

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## Component Weights of V-8s

| | AMC V-8 Weights lb | Avg V-8 Weights lb |
|---|---|---|
| Engine Without Transmission | 601 | 760 |
| Cylinder Block | 160.9 | 230 |
| Crankshaft | 62.8 | 70.5 |
| Cylinder Head (each) | 49.5 | 52 |
| Exhaust Manifold (including crossover) | 27.9 | 28 |
| Intake Manifold | 27.8 | 28 |
| Front Cover | 14.7 | 16 |
| Camshaft | 10.2 | 11.5 |
| Connecting Rod Assembly | 1.72 | 1.6 |
| Piston | 1.13 | 2 |
| Valve Train | 1.09 | 2.3 |

Source: American Motors Corp.

*Smallness, expandable horsepower are top attractions of . . .*

# American Motors' New V-8

PILOT RUNS have started on American Motors Corp.'s V-8 engine. Designed by AMC, it represents an expenditure of $11 million and four years of research.

The engine will be featured later this spring in Nash Statesmen and Hudson Hornets. Both have been powered by a 6-cylinder job, or a straight-line, 8-cylinder unit at extra cost.

V-8s now used by American Motors in its larger cars are built at Studebaker-Packard Corp.'s engine plant in Utica, Mich. They won't be discontinued, but it's a pretty safe bet that AMC would like to power more of the field with its own model. (It'll be built at its Kenosha, Wis., plant.)

**Aims**—Among the characteristics AMC wanted in its engine were: Compact design, more horsepower potential (as well as adaptability to future body styles), good performance, fuel economy and easy servicing.

This V-8's dimensions make it a natural for the smaller car field which AMC wants to dominate. It measures 25⅝-in. across its widest points. From the crankshaft centerline to the top of the carburetor, its height is 14 in. plus. This doesn't include the oil pan, but a good guess would put over-all height at about 23 in. It isn't too much of a difference over other V-8 heights, but unit body construction of Nash and Hudson cars permits the engine to be placed lower than in conventional models.

Length is really cut down—a few fractions over 27 in. Compare this with the Packard V-8 which is 35 in. long, and it's evident that here is a package which will make stylists sit up and take notice. Its smallness may hint that AMC is going to shrink its cars even more to provide convenient commuter designs which the growing suburbia crowd is thinking about.

**Weight**—It's lighter, too. Without transmission, it weighs 601-lb, compared with 765 lb for the standard Packard V-8. Pistons, the crankshaft and the cylinder block make for most of the weight savings.

Horsepower rating is 190 and doesn't sound like much by today's standards, but this V-8 is pushing a lighter car. AMC believes its future success will depend on the fact that the engine has been designed for higher ratings.

Items like crankshaft, engine block and valve sizes are set up to handle higher capacities. Connecting rods, main bearing caps and bolts are extra strong. Water and oil pumps have greater capacities than needed.

**Race**—Relatively minor changes (pistons, for example) are all that will be needed to boost horsepower to the 300 mark and more. Whether this is done may depend on how quickly the horsepower race proceeds and probably on how well the engine sells.

Meade F. Moore, vice president of AMC engineering and research, points out: "We traditionally have stressed the economy-performance relationship rather than high speed possibilities. We will continue to do so."

From that standpoint, engine torque (which is a better performance indicator than horsepower) shows consistently good efficiency through all speeds. For experts, the torque curve shows a differential from peak of 4 per cent in engine speeds ranging from 1500 to 3500 rpm. Maximum torque (240 ft-lb) comes at 2500 rpm. Peak horsepower (190) is at 4900 rpm.

**Economy**—Engineers are reluctant to say at this point just what fuel consumption will be, but they expect to get 20 to 25 miles per gallon from the Statesmen and Hornet models. Heavier cars may cut down that rate.

Well-paid mechanics and do-it-yourself car owners got more than a casual thought from the designers. Sparkplugs are set almost straight up and down well above exhaust manifolds. They can be removed easily without scorching or swearing. The generator is outside the tappet cover on the upper right-hand side of the engine,

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**Oldsmobile's Delta to Prime the Public**

This late 1955 experimental car is getting a re-run on the auto show circuit. Probable angle: To show off sweep sculptured side panels and scooped out fender areas to prime the public for potential changes on 1957 models

instead of being buried somewhere out of easy reach.

**Materials**—Pistons are made of an aluminum alloy and have steel inserts. Rocker arms are cast from pearlitic malleable iron, but the crankshaft is a steel forging. So far, Chevrolet is the only autobuilder with a pearlitic malleable crankshaft.

Tooling facilities for the engine are based on what AMC calls "segmented automation." Each tooling section is completely automatic, but it is not tied in with other sections. AMC feels this will lead to more flexible production because each part of the line can operate independently.

A complete rundown on AMC's V-8 will be given at the Society of Automotive Engineers' meeting, Mar. 6-8, at Detroit. John Adamson, Carl Burke and David Potter will present the paper.

## Car Sales Pick Up

Sales of new cars are beginning to show signs of recovery.

"A rising demand for low priced models spurred the advance," says *Ward's Automotive Reports*. "The gap between production and sales will be narrowed down from 21 per cent in January to 8 per cent in February."

The break came during the first ten days of last month. Nash new car sales jumped 81.5 per cent over the comparable ten days of 1955. Chrysler Corp. reports sales increased to 17.4 per cent of the total market, compared with 17.1 per cent in the same period last year. Oldsmobile says its dealers delivered 13,930 new cars during the same ten days.

*Ward's* expects a first quarter which will be second only to 1955's same period. It says that retail deliveries for this quarter should be between 1.5 and 1.6 million. First quarter, 1955, totaled 1.8 million.

## U. S. Auto Output

Passenger Only

| | 1956 | 1955 |
|---|---|---|
| January | 611,190† | 659,508 |
| February | | 675,769 |
| March | | 794,188 |
| April | | 754,007 |
| May | | 724,891 |
| June | | 649,372 |
| July | | 659,979 |
| August | | 614,392 |
| September | | 461,592 |
| October | | 517,669 |
| November | | 748,559 |
| December | | 682,698 |
| Total | | 7,942,983† |

| Week Ended | 1956 | 1955 |
|---|---|---|
| Jan. 28 | 135,586 | 160,666 |
| Feb. 4 | 140,582 | 164,265 |
| Feb. 11 | 136,308 | 168,059 |
| Feb. 18 | 128,324 | 173,482 |
| Feb. 25 | 124,538† | 171,188 |
| Mar. 3 | 120,000* | 167,811 |

Source: *Ward's Automotive Reports*
†Preliminary *Estimated by STEEL.

## Auto Parts Maker Expands

American Auto Parts Co., Kansas City, Mo., purchased the government's armor plate plant at Gary, Ind., for $3,260,000. American will dismantle obsolete machinery and use the site for industrial warehousing. The plant has been vacant since World War II, when it was operated by U. S. Steel Corp.

## Trim Alloys Ups Capacity

Trim Alloys Inc., Boston, completed installation of its second operating extrusion press. This 750-ton unit will be used exclusively for producing interior metal moldings and trim. It was built by Fay Machine Products Inc., the engineering subsidiary of Trim Alloys. A third press, acquired in 1954 and rated at 1500 tons, is being assembled and will be put into operation when the aluminum supply improves. With the three presses operating, Trim Alloys will be able to produce more than 1.5 million lb of aluminum extrusions a month.

## Exhaust Notes

Mercury division, Ford Motor Co., Detroit, is building a station wagon body plant at Wayne, Mich. Cunningham-Limp Co., Detroit, has contracted to build the 352,000-sq-ft plant which is expected to be in operation late this year. The facility will turn out station wagon bodies for all Mercury assembly points . . . Nash Motor Division, American Motors Corp., and Productora Nacional de Automotores, S. A., have signed a contract to assemble Nash and Rambler cars in Bogota, Colombia. Production should start this fall. Annual capacity: 3000 cars . . . Chevrolet says it can put 3600 lb of ice—at least its equivalent—into your car with its new air conditioning unit, which is available for either 6-cylinder or V-8 models. The package fits under the hood, and won't take up trunk or interior space. . . . Drivers expect to clock 2.3 million miles in 1956 at Ford Motor Co.'s new test site near Kingman, Ariz. The site has five-mile speed track and 16 miles of rough roads.

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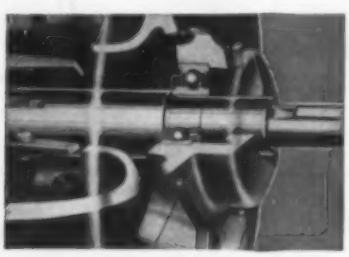

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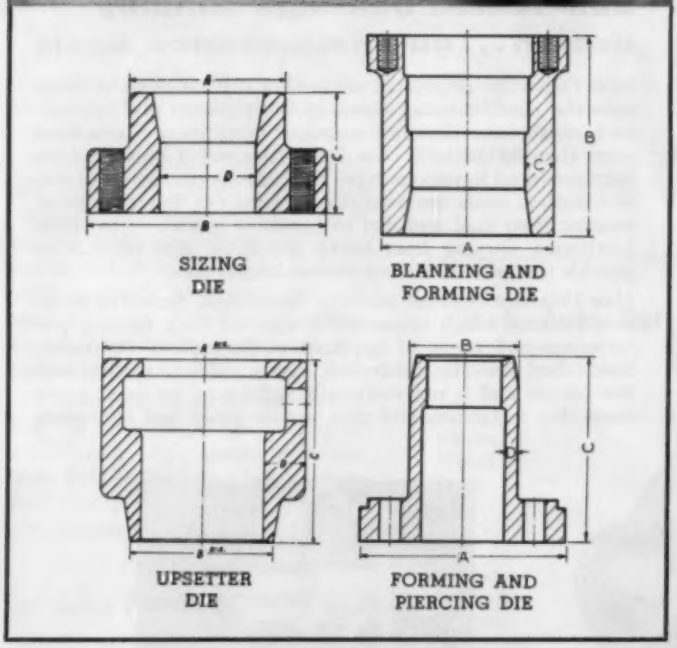


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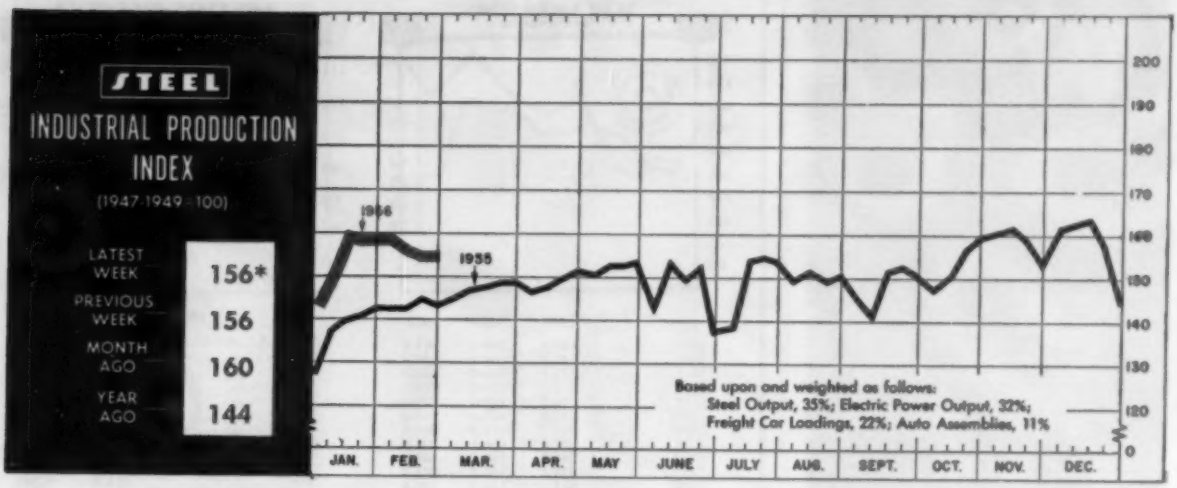


*Week ended Feb. 25

# Indicators Point to Better Business

BUSINESS is taking a look at some of its old reliable indicators and getting set for what may be even higher levels of activity than it has ever seen.

Machine tool orders continued to set a hot pace in January even though they dipped below the unusually high level of December. National Machine Tool Builders' Association reports new orders last month totaled $118,050,000 compared with $157,950,000 in December. NMTBA officials point out that the latter bookings included some large Air Force contracts. The January total exceeds every month in 1955 except two—November and December. Because of material shortages and manpower problems, shipments last month were only $56,750,000, the lowest in four months. This left the industry with a backlog of 8½ months, the highest since March, 1953. This assures the industry of continued good business through third quarter, independent of any new orders that will come in during that time.

**Bellwether**—The new order index of the American Supply & Machinery Manufacturers' Association Inc. is even more promising. Pegged at 192.7 in January (July, 1948 = 100), it shows a rise of 7 per cent over December's 180.02 mark. This is still below the peak of last year, which occurred in September, but it is higher than that of any other 1955 month.

This index indicates long-range planning by industry. It undoubtedly reflects the build-up in steel (see page 62) as well as expansion programs in other basic industries. It also reflects business confidence in a sustained high level of business in 1956.

**Highball** — Another good sign for business is the continued strength of railroad activities. Freight car loadings are holding near the 700,000 mark (698,319 for the week ended Feb. 18), and the roads are maintaining heavy car-buying schedules despite the end of fast amortization on new equipment. Typical is the order the

## BAROMETERS OF BUSINESS

| | LATEST PERIOD* | PRIOR WEEK | YEAR AGO |
|---|---|---|---|
| **INDUSTRY** | | | |
| Steel Ingot Production (1000 net tons)[2] | 2,422[1] | 2,433 | 2,218 |
| Electric Power Distributed (million kw-hr) | 11,300[1] | 11,321 | 9,725 |
| Bitum. Coal Output (1000 tons) | 10,100 | 10,190 | 8,935 |
| Petroleum Production (daily avg—1000 bbl) | 7,045[1] | 7,116 | 6,789 |
| Construction Volume (*ENR*—millions) | $440.1 | $268.3 | $312.2 |
| Auto, Truck Output, U. S., Canada (*Ward's*) | 155,106[1] | 158,903 | 195,079 |
| **TRADE** | | | |
| Freight Car Loadings (1000 cars) | 690[1] | 698 | 635 |
| Business Failures (Dun & Bradstreet) | 245[1] | 252 | 178 |
| Currency in Circulation (millions)[3] | $30,210 | $30,247 | $29,793 |
| Dept. Store Sales (changes from year ago)[3] | +6% | +5% | +5% |
| **FINANCE** | | | |
| Bank Clearings (Dun & Bradstreet, millions) | $18,422 | $17,748 | $17,903 |
| Federal Gross Debt (billions) | $279.7 | $279.7 | $278.4 |
| Bond Volume, NYSE (millions) | $17.5 | $18.9 | $15.6 |
| Stocks Sales, NYSE (thousands of shares) | 10,568 | 10,597 | 11,502 |
| Loans and Investments (billions)[4] | $84.3 | $84.1 | $84.7 |
| U. S. Govt. Obligations Held (billions)[4] | $28.5 | $28.5 | $35.1 |
| **PRICES** | | | |
| STEEL's Finished Steel Price Index[5] | 209.10 | 209.10 | 194.53 |
| STEEL's Nonferrous Metal Price Index[6] | 279.4 | 272.6 | 227.3 |
| All Commodities[7] | 112.0 | 112.1 | 110.3 |
| Commodities Other than Farm & Foods[7] | 120.2 | 120.2 | 115.4 |

*Dates on request. [1]Preliminary. [2]Weekly capacities, net tons: 1956, 2,461,893; 1955, 2,413,278. [3]Federal Reserve Board. [4]Member banks, Federal Reserve System. [5]1935-1939=100. [6]1936-1939=100. [7]Bureau of Labor Statistics Index, 1947-1949=100

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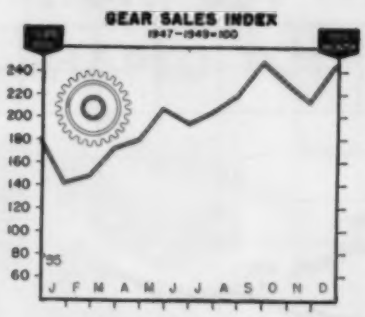


| | 1955 | 1954 | 1953 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. | 140.9 | 167.4 | 161.4 |
| Feb. | 148.5 | 165.1 | 188.1 |
| Mar. | 172.8 | 128.6 | 158.9 |
| Apr. | 179.8 | 158.2 | 217.1 |
| May | 205.2 | 132.5 | 189.8 |
| June | 193.5 | 127.4 | 146.5 |
| July | 201.7 | 141.3 | 120.7 |
| Aug. | 217.6 | 154.7 | 121.6 |
| Sept. | 246.5 | 135.1 | 135.6 |
| Oct. | 227.6 | 152.5 | 211.1 |
| Nov. | 210.4 | 116.7 | 144.9 |
| Dec. | 245.5 | 182.2 | 194.6 |

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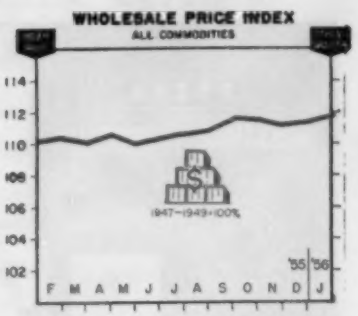



| | 1956 | 1955 | 1954 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. | 111.8* | 110.1 | 110.9 |
| Feb. | ... | 110.4 | 110.5 |
| Mar. | ... | 110.6 | 110.5 |
| Apr. | ... | 110.5 | 111.0 |
| May | ... | 109.9 | 110.9 |
| June | ... | 110.2 | 110.6 |
| July | ... | 110.5 | 110.4 |
| Aug. | ... | 110.9 | 110.5 |
| Sept. | ... | 111.7 | 110.9 |
| Oct. | ... | 111.6 | 109.7 |
| Nov. | ... | 111.2 | 110.0 |
| Dec. | ... | 111.4 | 109.8 |

U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
*Preliminary

Santa Fe placed with Pullman-Standard Mfg. Co. this month for 1175 mill-type gondola freight cars. Delivery will start in second quarter and continue into 1957. Backlog of orders for freight cars now stands at 144,946, says American Railway Car Institute. Standard & Poor's Corp. reports in a special survey of the rail equipment industry that railroad men are talking in terms of ordering 75,000 cars annually for the next five years.

At a time when most persons thought the dieselization program of the railroads was just about completed, the number of new locomotive units on order (835 as of Feb. 1) indicates a further willingness on the part of the roads to continue heavy capital expenditures. The backlog on Feb. 1, 1955, was only 472 units. Class I railroads put in service 126 new locomotives in January compared with 121 in the comparable 1955 month.

### STEEL's Index Follows Autos

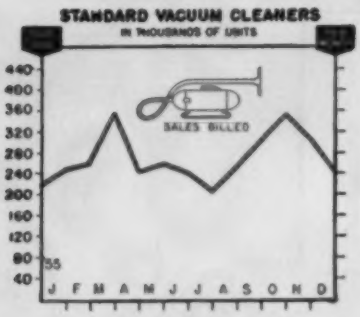
STEEL's industrial production index fails to reflect this business optimism, mainly because of falling auto production. Preliminary estimate for the week ended Feb. 25 is 156 (1947-1949=100), a drop of 5 points from the 1956 high of 161 for the week ended Jan. 14. Automotive accounts for over half of that decline. All other elements of the index have held at near-record levels. Electric power output has held above the 11-billion-kw-hr level for seven weeks in a row. It was only last November that the industry had its first week at that level. The central industrial area continues to show up strong, holding an edge of about 23 per cent over year-ago levels. The Pacific Northwest is coming back into the picture as spring thaws set in.

The steel industry has had eight straight weeks of ingot production over the 2.4-million-ton mark. The first week at that level in the industry's history was in November. No letup is in sight.

Freight car loadings consistently have been ahead of corresponding year-ago figures. Cumulative total for 1956 through Feb. 18 was 4,776,409 cars, compared with only 4,429,467 cars for the similar period last year.

### PAs See High-Level Business

The monthly survey of business conditions among members of the National Association of Purchasing Agents reflects the high level of




Sales Billed—Units

| | 1956 | 1954 | 1953 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. .... | 250,123 | 221,232 | 258,880 |
| Feb. .... | 262,681 | 199,085 | 246,007 |
| Mar. .... | 356,179 | 276,464 | 329,294 |
| Apr. .... | 244,143 | 220,849 | 208,548 |
| May .... | 281,238 | 200,434 | 252,404 |
| June .... | 241,665 | 185,781 | 197,506 |
| July .... | 207,756 | 193,607 | 159,446 |
| Aug. .... | 255,540 | 185,397 | 188,536 |
| Sept. .... | 306,345 | 238,235 | 227,263 |
| Oct. .... | 350,696 | 303,197 | 249,383 |
| Nov. .... | 307,545 | 237,862 | 216,227 |
| Dec. .... | 243,457 | 217,022 | 190,773 |
| Total .... | 3,191,340 | 2,658,156 | 2,781,293 |

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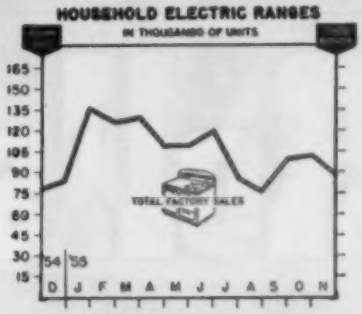



Total Factory Sales—Units

| | 1956 | 1954 | 1953 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. .... | 136,663 | 101,870 | 88,149 |
| Feb. .... | 127,188 | 108,647 | 114,465 |
| Mar. .... | 150,180 | 115,398 | 130,758 |
| Apr. .... | 108,819 | 92,781 | 118,909 |
| May .... | 109,203 | 82,649 | 114,404 |
| June .... | 120,100 | 85,854 | 113,086 |
| July .... | 85,659 | 80,017 | 77,536 |
| Aug. .... | 76,158 | 78,907 | 74,326 |
| Sept. .... | 101,100 | 99,611 | 84,451 |
| Oct. .... | 108,610 | 84,321 | 73,422 |
| Nov. .... | 88,200 | 79,340 | 56,748 |
| Dec. .... | ..... | 85,083 | 73,570 |
| Total .... | ..... | 1,092,393 | 1,119,570 |

National Electrical Mfrs. Assn.

activity. Respondents to the February query say production was at about the same level as in January. On new orders, the majority (52 per cent compared with 48 per cent last month) think the level is unchanged from a month ago. Sixty-two per cent of the PAs feel that supply-to-demand ratio will improve in the next six months. Only 10 per cent expect it to get worse. This could mean an easing of business. On the other hand, the shortage of materials has been one of the biggest brakes on business, so better availability of materials may mean better business conditions all the way around.

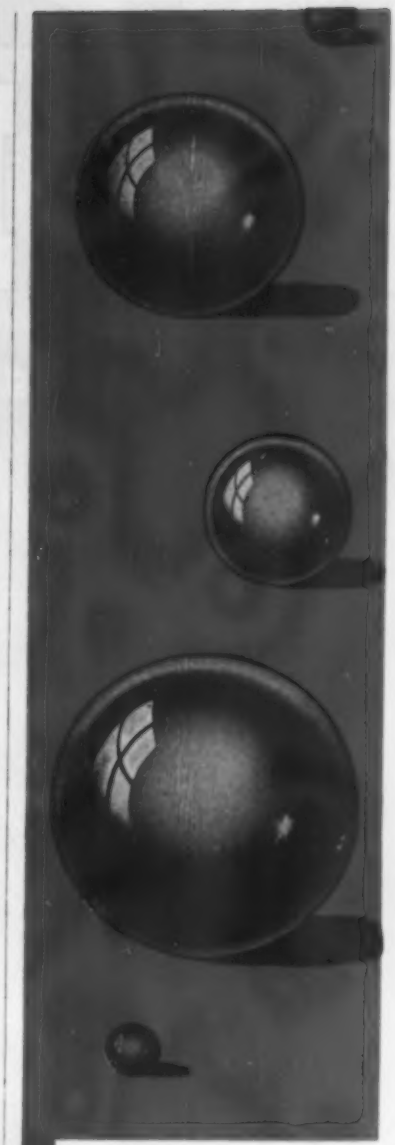
## Construction Sets Fast Pace

And still construction activity roars on! Heavy construction awards for the week ended Feb. 23 jumped to $440 million, reports *Engineering News-Record*. This brings the cumulative total for the year to $3374 million, 42 per cent above the corresponding 1955 period. More important is the fact that the rate of increase over last year is getting stronger. At the end of January, 1956 held only a 23-per-cent advantage over 1955. Cement again this year will be a halting factor in heavy construction. Ellery Sedgwick Jr., president of Medusa Portland Cement Co., says it will be in short supply during most of the year.

A dissenting voice in the optimistic construction chorus is the Value Line Investment Survey published by Arnold Bernhard & Co. Inc., New York. The survey believes that a lower level of residential building will offset any advances in public or other private outlays. However, there is a growing feeling in building circles that the housing slump is past and that spring will bring an upswing.

## Auto Producers Look to Spring

Auto producers also look with hope to spring. Production will sag even farther in March than it did in the first two months of the year, but producers are looking at February sales figures for a clew as to how far they should cut back. Sales in the Feb. 11-20 period showed surprising strength. The February goal is still about 515,000 units. Even at that, with production estimated at 557,000 units, the dealers' stocks are in for a 40,000-unit boost. If sales run the normal course, this inventory should start declining with the advent of the spring selling spree.

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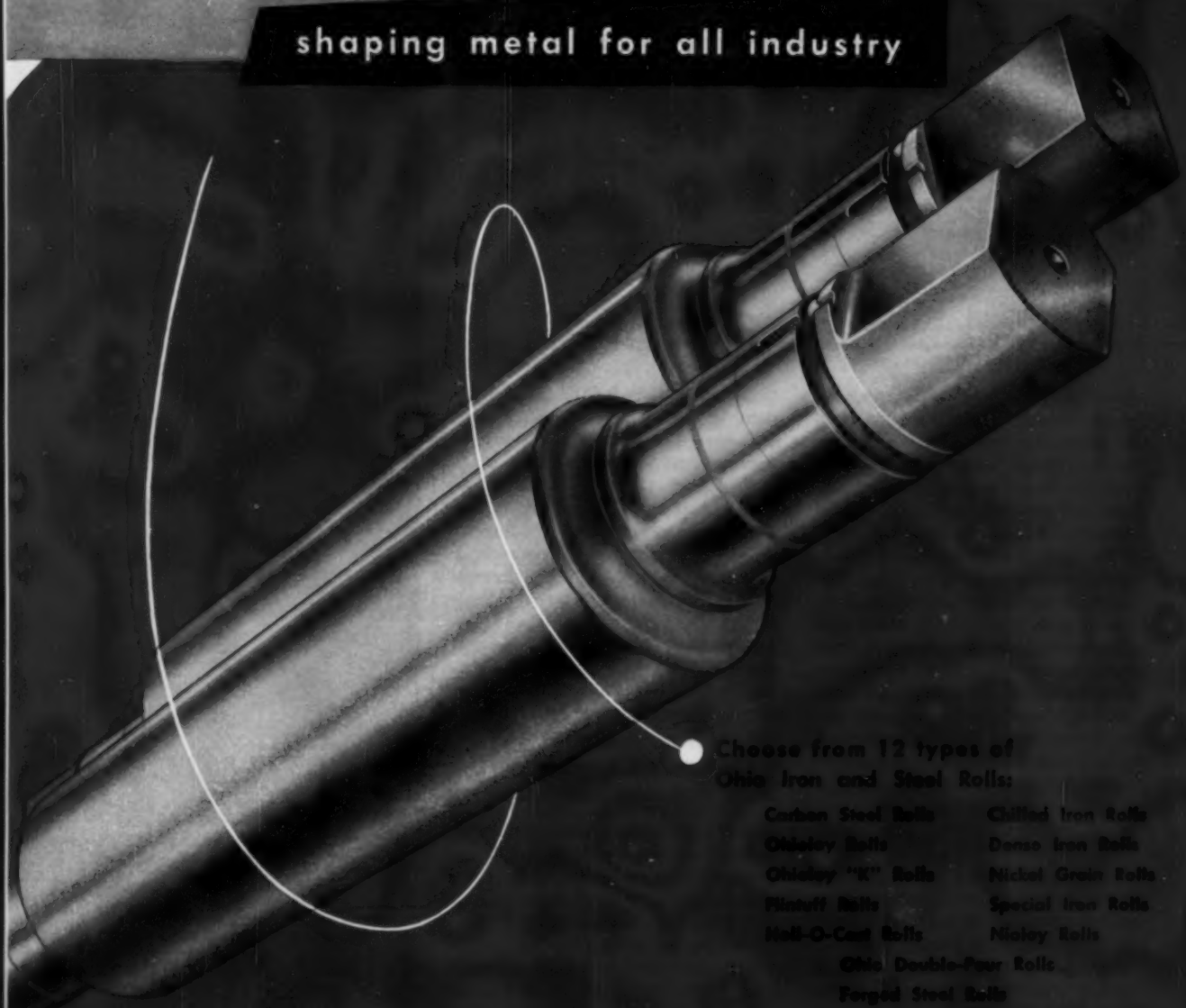

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**Robert L. Chandler** was appointed plant manager of **Square D Co.'s** newest manufacturing facility on Twelve Mile Road, Royal Oak Township, Mich. He has held various production and administrative sales assignments and most recently was supervisor of the panelboard, duct and switchboard application section in the Detroit offices.

**Dahlstrom Machine Works Inc.**, Chicago, appointed **Bruce Ballman** executive vice president and general manager, and **Harry E. Stanfield** vice president and assistant general manager. Mr. Ballman was sales manager. Mr. Stanfield was works engineer.

**Alfred M. Goodman** was made supervisor of quality control for **Acme Steel Co.**, Chicago. He was supervising metallurgist with Inland Steel Co.

**W. D. Obenberger** was elected vice president and resident manager of the Hartford, Wis., division of **West Bend Aluminum Co.**

**Carl McFarlin Sr.**, chairman of the executive committee of **Devoe & Raynolds Co. Inc.**, Louisville, was elected president to succeed **E. William Endter**, resigned.

**M. R. Westover** was made assistant to the executive vice president at **Bohn Aluminum & Brass Corp.**, Detroit.

FREDERICK J. O'REILLY
*. . . works mgr. at National Electric*

**Frederick J. O'Reilly** was made works manager at the Elizabeth, N. J., plant of **National Electric Products Corp.** He was plant manager, electrical division, Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp. Mr. O'Reilly succeeds **Henry V. Ivory**, now manager of electronic research and development in charge of a new laboratory at the Elizabeth plant.

**Clifford E. Wenninger** was appointed technical director of **Hydro-Blast Corp.**, Franklin Park, Ill. He formerly was with National Engineering Co.

**S. C. Massari** was made director of research by **National Engineering Co.**, Chicago.

**C. Foster Brown Jr.** was elected to the new post of executive vice president in charge of production and sales for **Ceco Steel Products Corp.**, Chicago. He was vice president and assistant to the president.

**Copeland Refrigeration Corp.**, Sidney, O., elected **W. G. von Meyer** and **Rudy Berg** vice presidents.

**Ramon T. Quesilla** was named chief engineer of **Ronald Black Co.**, San Diego, Calif.

**Frank B. Jewett Jr.** was elected a vice president of **Vitro Corp. of America**, New York. He was with General Mills Inc.

BERNARD DOLAN
*. . . Peter A. Frasse & Co. v. p.*

**Bernard Dolan** was elected vice president of **Peter A. Frasse & Co. Inc.**, New York. He has successively held posts in the purchasing, advertising and sales departments of the company, and was made assistant vice president in 1955.

**MacLean-Fogg Lock Nut Co.**, Chicago, appointed **Harry Bishop** general sales manager, industrial division. He was Detroit area manager of the company.

**Milton E. Morgan** fills the new post of director of purchases at **A. O. Smith Co.**, Milwaukee. He was assistant general sales manager of automotive products.

**Leo G. Jacques** and **Leo F. Brown** were elected vice presidents of **Allied Products Corp.**, Detroit.

**Paul Bixler** was made manager, international division, **F. J. Stokes Machine Co.**, Philadelphia.

**James F. O'Donnell** was made production manager and **Harold Thom** factory superintendent, **Goddard & Goddard Co.**, Detroit.

**Fenton D. Lapham** was promoted to director of production control and purchasing, **Electro-Motive Division**, General Motors Corp., La Grange, Ill. He succeeds **William O. Nelson** who assumes special duties on the general manager's

ROBERT B. HEPPENSTALL

JOHN P. ROCHE

HARRY W. DAVIDSON

*Midvale-Heppenstall president and vice presidents*

staff. Charles F. Lincoln Jr. succeeds Mr. Lapham as parts supply manager for the division.

David A. Schiffer was promoted to eastern manager of raw material purchases for Apex Smelting Co., Chicago. Eric Windmiller was made assistant eastern manager. They are located at Cleveland.

William Doonan was made midwestern sales manager by Cleveland Instrument Co. Inc. He has headquarters at Ypsilanti, Mich.

Carl O. Hedner was made assistant general sales manager, materials handling division, Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Philadelphia.

Harry L. Sturla Jr. was made manager of the market research department of Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc., Chicago. He was assistant manager. At the New York steel service plant, John J. Hauptly was made acting manager, inside sales department. He is replaced as manager of alloy steel sales by Richard L. Smith. Edward J. Byers succeeds Henry B. Williams as manager of tubular products and cold finished bar sales at New York. Mr. Williams was promoted to sales manager.

Lawrence P. Baker was named sales manager and Marshall A. Pease director of new products development for Pressed Metal Division, Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn.

Officers of the recently created Midvale-Heppenstall Co., Philadelphia, are. Robert B. Heppenstall president; John P. Roche and Harry W. Davidson vice presidents; A. O. Schaefer, director of research; Howard H. Casey, general superintendent and manager of engineering; Herman A. De Pova, works manager; Derek G. R. Brigg, general sales manager; and Lloyd R. Loewen, secretary-treasurer.

At General Electric Co.'s new gear motor and transmission components department at Paterson, N. J., Robert L. Spitler was made manager of manufacturing; Ralph E. Coutant, manager of engineering; Robert E. Kelley, manager of finance; and Howard W. Bennett, manager of marketing.

A. K. Ferguson was elected a vice president of F. H. McGraw & Co., New York. He was formerly president of H. K. Ferguson Co. and more recently was an officer of Walter Kidde Construction Co.

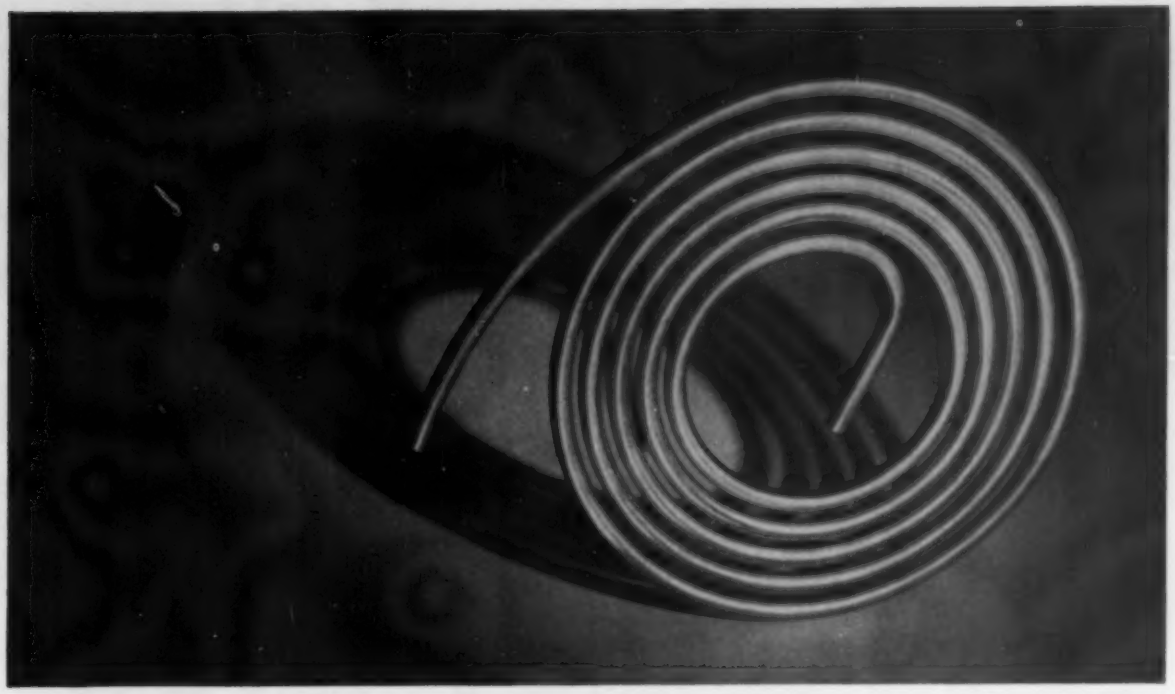
Charles F. Venrick was made Chicago district sales manager of American Car & Foundry Division, ACF Industries Inc.

Joseph W. S. Davis succeeds Charles F. Venrick as western re-

LAWRENCE P. BAKER

MARSHALL A. PEASE

*. . . appointments at Stanley Wks., Pressed Metal Division*



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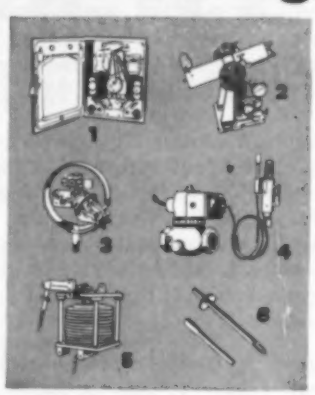


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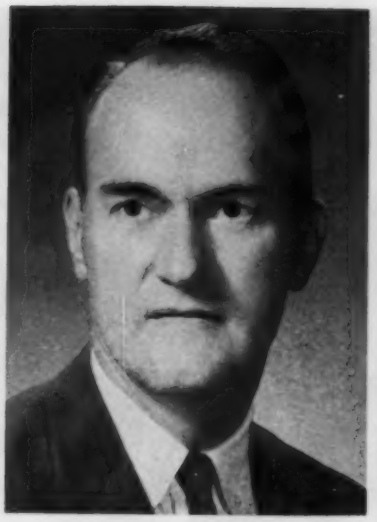

**ADOLPH F. LEITNER**
*. . . Ralph C. Coxhead exec. v.p.*

**WILLIAM S. FORREST**
*. . . National Motor Bearing sales post*

gional manager, **Alco Products Inc.** He is at Chicago.

**Wilbur E. Kelley** was elected president of **Walter Kidde Nuclear Laboratories Inc.**, Garden City, L. I., N. Y. He succeeds **Henry K. Norton** who continues on the board of directors. Mr. Kelley was manager of the New York operations office of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, and since 1953 has been vice president-engineering for Catalytic Construction Co.

**John W. Anne**, for several years vice president in charge of headquarters application engineering for **Elliott Co.**, Jeannette, Pa., was assigned additional duties. He is now responsible for manufacturing operations of the Jeannette Division.

**John W. Gudgel** was named to the new post of vice president-general manager of manufacturing of **Ross Heat Exchanger Division**, American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., Buffalo.

**Adolph F. Leitner** was elected executive vice president of **Ralph C. Coxhead Corp.**, Newark, N. J. He formerly was vice president of Dwight Lloyd Division, McDowell Co. Inc., and also served as executive vice president of Sintering Machinery Corp.

**Thomas J. Quinn** was made general sales manager, **Grobet File Co. of America Inc.**, Carlstadt, N. J.

**Frank J. Thomas** was made superintendent of steel conservation and quality control at the Cleveland plant of **Republic Steel Corp.** He succeeds the late **Thomas J. Woods. Robert A. Saxer** was named assistant superintendent.

**Charles C. Wiedmann** was promoted to general manager, **AMF Tool Division**, American Machine & Foundry Co., New York. He was assistant sales manager.

**Clifford R. Kral** was appointed production manager, machine division, **Torrington Mfg. Co.**, Torrington, Conn.

**William S. Forrest** was named industrial division sales manager, **National Motor Bearing Co. Inc.**, Redwood City, Calif. He was assistant to the director of sales.

**W. B. Heinz** was made chief engineer of **Askania Regulator Co.**, Chicago. He was owner of Heinz Engineering Co., Arlington, Va.

**R. T. Sturgeon** was elected president and chairman of **Hollydale Mfg. Co.**, Hollydale, Calif.

**Elbert M. Palmer** was elected president, **Kawanee Boiler Division**, American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., Kewanee, Ill. He succeeds **W. Bradford Russell**, retired. Mr. Palmer was executive vice president.

**Frank L. Grumbach** succeeds **Lloyd A. Burkholder**, retired, as Cleveland district sales manager for **Republic Steel Corp.'s** Berger Division. **Robert H. Egan** was made division industrial engineer in Canton, O., to succeed **C. J. Russell** who will be reassigned.

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## *OBITUARIES . . .*

**Keith Williams**, 66, general manager, **Pratt & Letchworth Division**, Dayton Malleable Iron Co., Buffalo, died Feb. 15.

**A. Oram Fulton**, 70, chairman, **Wheelock, Lovejoy & Co. Inc.**, Cambridge, Mass., died Feb. 20.

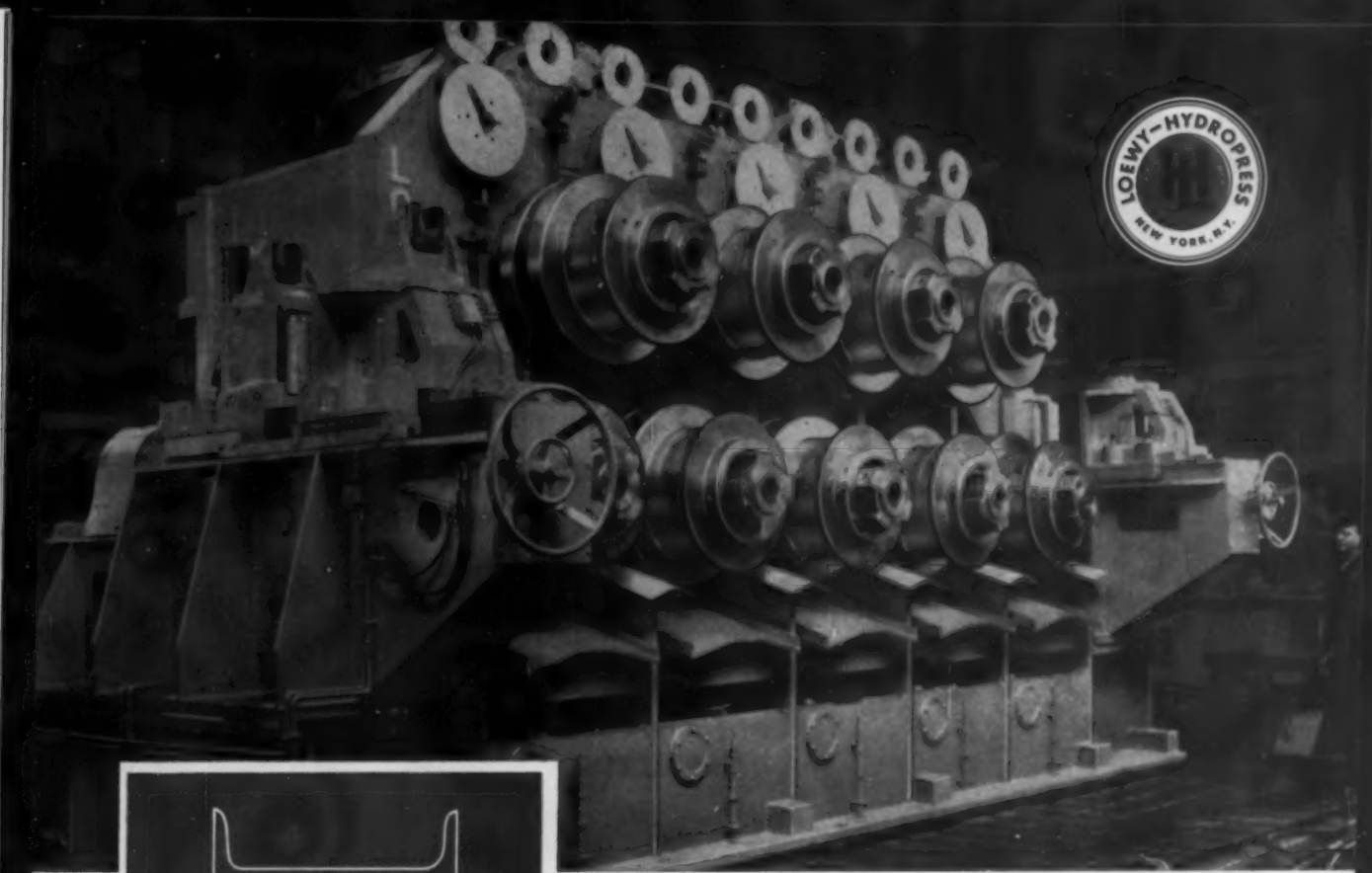
**Charles L. Leitner**, 60, purchasing agent for **St. Louis Screw & Bolt Co.**, St. Louis, died Feb. 12.

**Albert Christensen**, 81, president, **Christensen & Olsen Foundry Co.**, Chicago, died Feb. 18.

**Richard M. Wick**, 53, assistant director of research at **Bethlehem Steel Co.**, in charge of tin plating plants, died Feb. 18 in Baltimore.

**William M. Reck**, 64, sales engineer of **Bethlehem Steel Co.** in New York, died Feb. 19.

**John J. Kelly**, 67, a partner in **Niagara Metal Co.**, Buffalo, died Feb. 16. He retired last month.



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## West Gets Strip Mill

### Los Angeles plant of Cold Metal Products Co. will produce specialty flat-rolled steel

COLD-ROLLED STRIP steel will be produced in Los Angeles by a subsidiary of Cold Metal Products Co., Youngstown. Carbon, alloy and stainless steel grades will be made.

Cold Metal Products Co. of California will install equipment similar to the cold rolling mills operated by the parent company in Youngstown, Indianapolis and Kenilworth, N. J. These 4-high single-stand reversing mills are particularly useful in the production of cold-rolled strip steel where restricted gage tolerance, special finishes and uniformity are important.

Annealing facilities will be similar to those employed in the other plants. In combination with the CMP-type of cold rolling process, they make possible unusually uniform control of structures and other physicals. Slitting equipment, designed and built by CMP, cut-to-length lines and edging equipment, now a part of the warehouse service, will round out the production units.

Western customers have been getting most of their specialty products from the Midwest and East.

**Product Range** — Cold Metal Products' Los Angeles plant (2131 S. Garfield Ave.) has been operated exclusively as a distributor of steel and metal products, principally in the flat-rolled category. It has maintained a complete line of cold-rolled strip steel in low carbon and high carbon grades and such specialties as tin coated and zinc coated steel, in coils and cut lengths; tempered spring steel; alloy and stainless, high-tensile strip steel. A wide range of Armco stainless sheets, strip, plates and bar is regularly carried in stock for resale.

The new strip steel production facilities are to be housed on the same site. The plant will supplement and in some instances replace the specialty cold rolling facilities at the company's eastern plants.

For customers who need immediate, off-the-shelf service, the Warehouse Division will continue its operations. The identity of the Warehouse Division and Mill Division will be separately maintained and staffed by specialized organizations. Both divisions will be under the general management of E. L. Phillips, vice president.

The new building and production equipment are under construction. Completion of the project before summer is anticipated.

### Will Build in Connecticut

American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., will build an $8-million plant at Plainfield, Conn. Production is scheduled to start early in 1957.

### Cleaver-Brooks Forms Unit

Cleaver-Brooks Co., Milwaukee, organized Cleaver-Brooks Western Hemisphere Ltd. to expedite marketing of its products in this hemisphere. The company makes self-contained steam and hot-water boilers, industrial oil burners, evaporators, distillation equipment and heating equipment for road construction and ready-mix plants. R. P. Honnold is vice president in charge of the new corporation and will continue as export manager of the parent company.

### Opens Stud Welding Office

K S M Products Inc.'s Stud Welding Division, Merchantville, N. J., opened a district office at 1615 Polk St., San Francisco. F. G. Kern is district engineer.

### Cast Iron Pipemaker Expands

A $5-million expansion of manufacturing facilities has been launched by James B. Clow & Sons Inc., Chicago, one of the nation's leading producers of cast iron pressure pipe. The central project is a cast iron pipe plant to be built in Bensenville, Ill., having 150,000 sq ft of floor space and a capacity of 80,000 tons of pipe a year. An administration building also will be erected on the plant site.

Other phases include modernizing the fittings foundry at its Birmingham plant and the purchase of additional land and buildings


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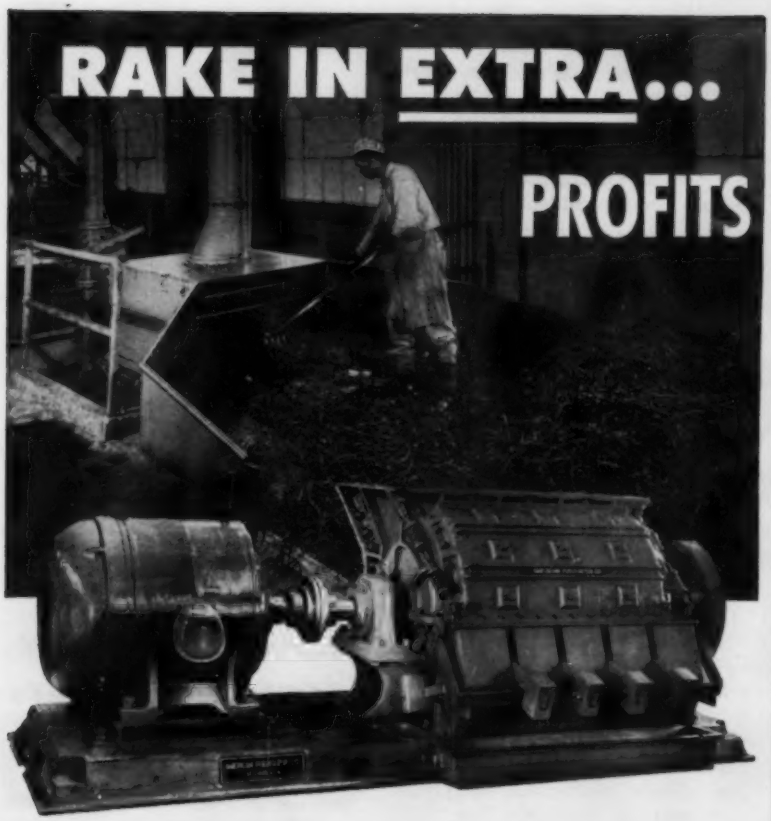


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### West Coast Firm Sold

Dorr - Oliver Inc., Stamford, Conn., acquired Merco Centrifugal Co., San Francisco, manufacturer of centrifuges, centrifugal screens and strainers.

### Stapling Wire Firm Expands

Bostitch Inc., manufacturer of stapling wire and stapling-wire stitching machines, is building a 400,000-sq-ft plant at East Greenwich, R. I. The new plant will replace present quarters at Westerly, R. I.

### Plans Multimillion Projects

A multimillion-dollar expansion of International Business Machines Corp.'s west coast operations was announced by T. J. Watson Jr., president. The program includes: An office building and data processing center in Los Angeles; new manufacturing, engineering and education facilities at San Jose, Calif.; an office building in Santa Monica, Calif.; data processing centers in Seattle and Portland, Oreg.; an office building now nearing completion in San Francisco.

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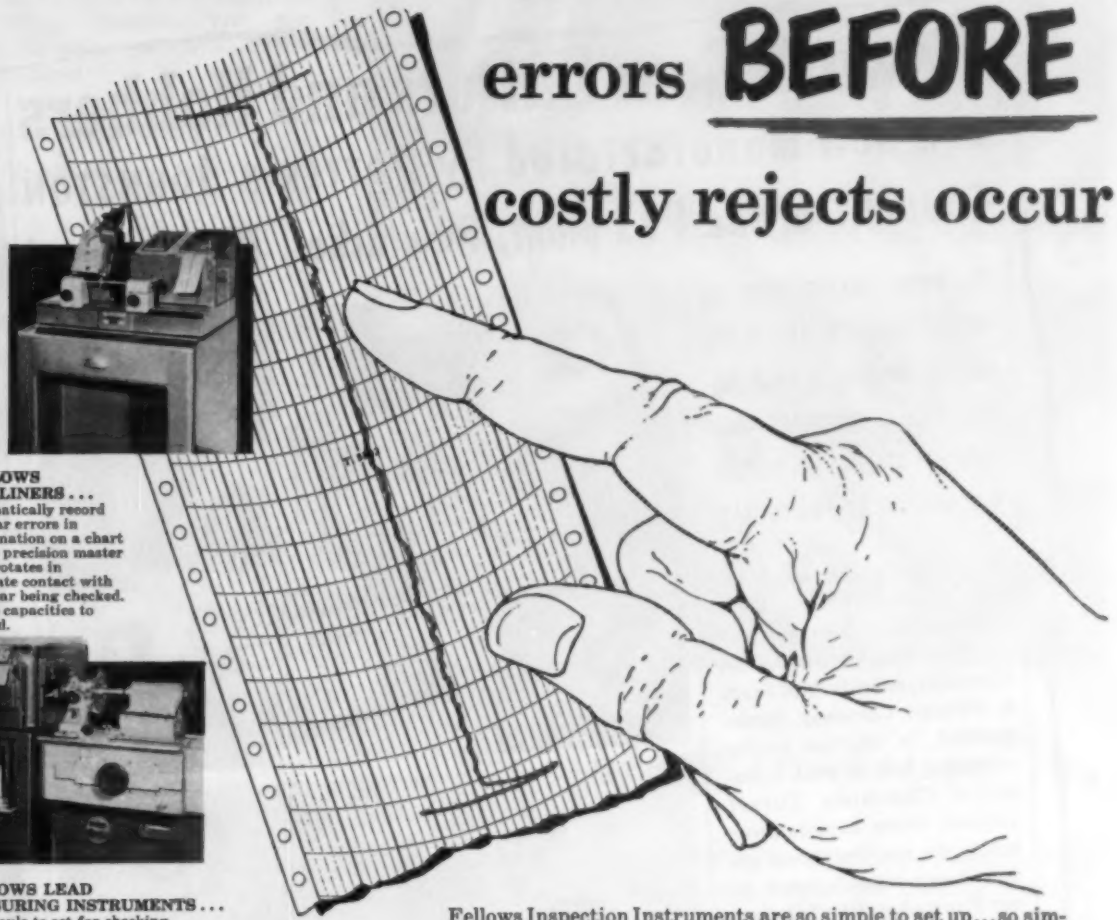

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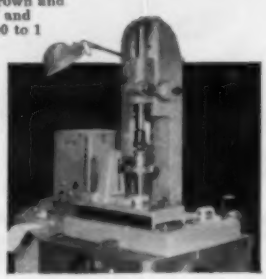

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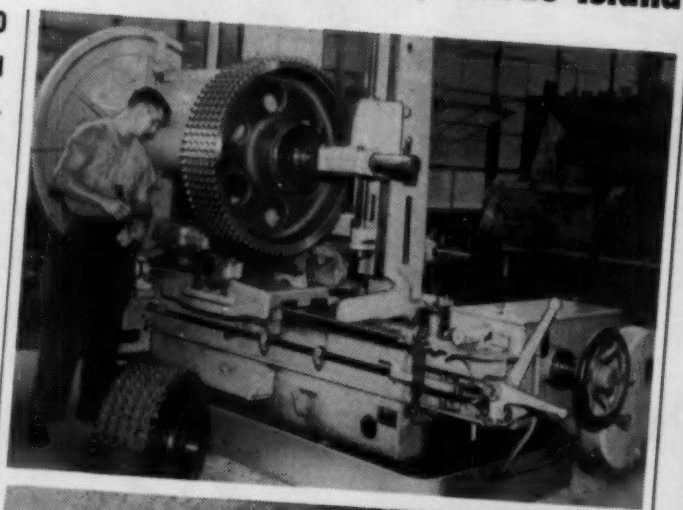

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facturing, engineering and educational facilities in Rochester, Minn. Construction of several buildings, comprising 400,000 sq ft of floor space and costing about $8 million, is scheduled to begin late this year. Electric and electronic accounting machines and new products under development will be produced.

### Buys Air Conditioning Firms

A group of San Francisco investors purchased Portable Air Cooler & Heater Inc. and its marketing organization, Chico Air Cooler Distributors, Chico, Calif. Alf E. Werolin is president of Portable Air Cooler; G. R. Sommers, president of Chico Air Cooler.

### Plans Stamping Plant in East

S. O. & C. Co., a division of United Shoe Machinery Corp., will build a 100,000-sq-ft plant at Shelton, Conn. The division, producer of industrial eyelets and related stamped products, will move some presses to Shelton from its Ansonia, Conn., plant.

### Enlarges Tractor-Shovel Plant

Frank G. Hough Co., Libertyville, Ill., is constructing a 55,000-sq-ft addition to its plant for the manufacture of tractor-shovels and allied equipment. When completed, the plant will contain 368,000 sq ft of floor space.

### True Temper Plans Expansion

True Temper Corp., Cleveland, will erect a plant in Saybrook township, between Ashtabula and Geneva, O., for the exclusive production of garden, lawn and farm tools. The $3.5-million project is the biggest expansion in the history of the company. The Saybrook unit will include stamping operations, now a partial function of the firm's plant at Conneaut, O.

### Forms Grinding Wheel Division

A new product engineering department has been established for the Grinding Wheel Division of Electro Refractories & Abrasives Corp., Buffalo. As head of the

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department, William Eames will study and collect data on grinding wheel tests in various plants throughout the country; introduce and evaluate new products; work with salesmen, distributors and jobbers in grinding wheel education and customer contacts.

### Long-Range Planning

ROBBERSON Steel Co. is moving, but the transfer will require an estimated ten years.

An enlarged plant will be constructed at Reno avenue and MacArthur boulevard, Oklahoma City, Okla., at a cost of between $2 million and $3 million. The tentative schedule for moving the various departments is: First, culvert-making facilities; second, foundry; third, steel joist and roofing sections. Construction of the first unit will start this year.

### Rowe Buys Bumpers Inc.

Rowe Methods Inc., Cleveland, manufacturer of hydraulic dock leveling devices, purchased Bumpers Inc., that city, maker of reversible dock and truck bumpers.

### Taylor Devices Inc. Formed

Paul H. Taylor organized Taylor Devices Inc., a manufacturing company, and Tayco Developments Inc., a research company, 188 Main St., North Tonawanda, N. Y. The organizations will manufacture and develop compressible material devices.

### Horsburgh & Scott Expands

Horsburgh & Scott Co., Cleveland, completed a 22,000-sq-ft plant addition. The firm specializes in speed reducers and gears.

### Eberhart-Denver Changes Hands

Borg-Warner Corp.'s subsidiary, Morse Chain Co., Chicago, purchased Eberhart-Denver Co., Denver, and its affiliate, Spreco Co., Chicago. Officers of Eberhart-Denver, a leading maker of speed reducers, are: Fred Eberhart, chairman; S. J. Roush, president;

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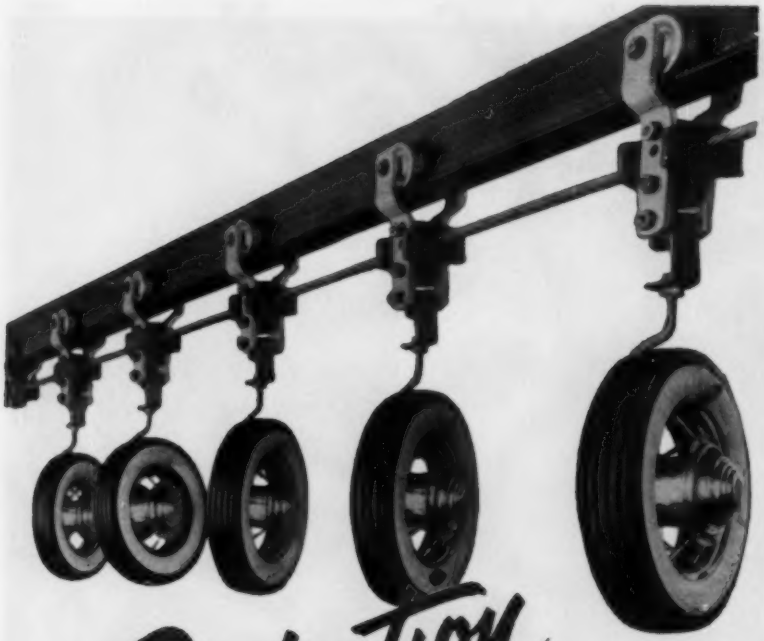

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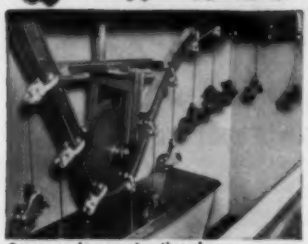

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## Distributor Enlarges Facilities

Southwestern Ohio Steel Inc., Hamilton, O., is enlarging and remodeling its flat rolled warehousing area and installing additional overhead cranes. Estimated cost is $100,000. In January, Southwestern added a Cincinnati ½-in. 10-ft plate shear to its plate cutting department.

## Forms Electronics Division

Weber Aircraft Corp., Burbank, Calif., formed an Electronics Division as a part of its diversification program. J. H. Doyle is division manager; J. T. Revis, chief sales engineer.

## Cutler-Hammer Expands in West

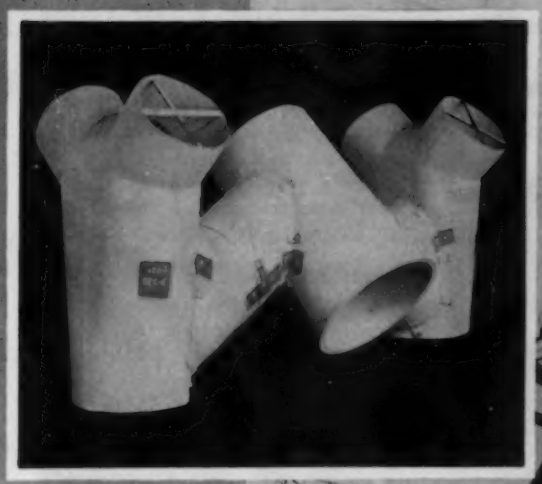
Cutler-Hammer Inc., electrical manufacturer, Milwaukee, completed a plant in the central manufacturing district of Los Angeles. It will house manufacturing and warehousing facilities, as well as the firm's Los Angeles district sales office.

## REPRESENTATIVES

**H. K. Porter Company Inc.'s Laclede-Christy Co. Division,** St. Louis, appointed H. D. Roach as its Chicago sales representative. The division makes refractories.

**Kurt Orban Co. Inc.,** New York, importer of German machine tools, appointed Superior Sales & Engineering Co., Orange, N. J., its sales representative for northern New Jersey.

**Taft-Peirce Mfg. Co.,** Woonsocket, R. I., appointed these agents to handle its standard lines of fixed gages, air gages, small tools and magnetic chucks: General Tool Co., Portland, Oreg.; Industrial Tool & Supply, Tucson, Ariz.; Charles K. Farley, Rochester, N. Y. The firm also appointed Joseph Monahan Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.,



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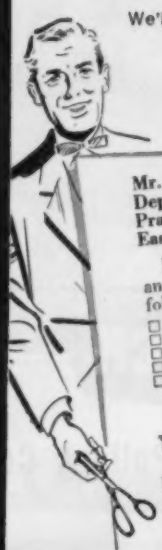

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**Alloy Steels Inc.**, Detroit, will represent Firth Sterling Inc., Pittsburgh, producer of high-speed steels, in that area.

**Ampco Metal Inc.**, Milwaukee, appointed these distributors for its weldrod department: Miami Welding Supply Inc., Miami, Fla.; Kaminis Welding Supplies Inc., Tampa, Fla.; Keenan Welding Supplies Co. Inc., Albany, Ga.

**George Sall Metals Co. Inc.**, Philadelphia, appointed William E. McCullough as sales and service representative for the western Pennsylvania area. His headquarters are in Pittsburgh. Sall makes specification aluminum, brass and bronze, zinc alloys and additives.

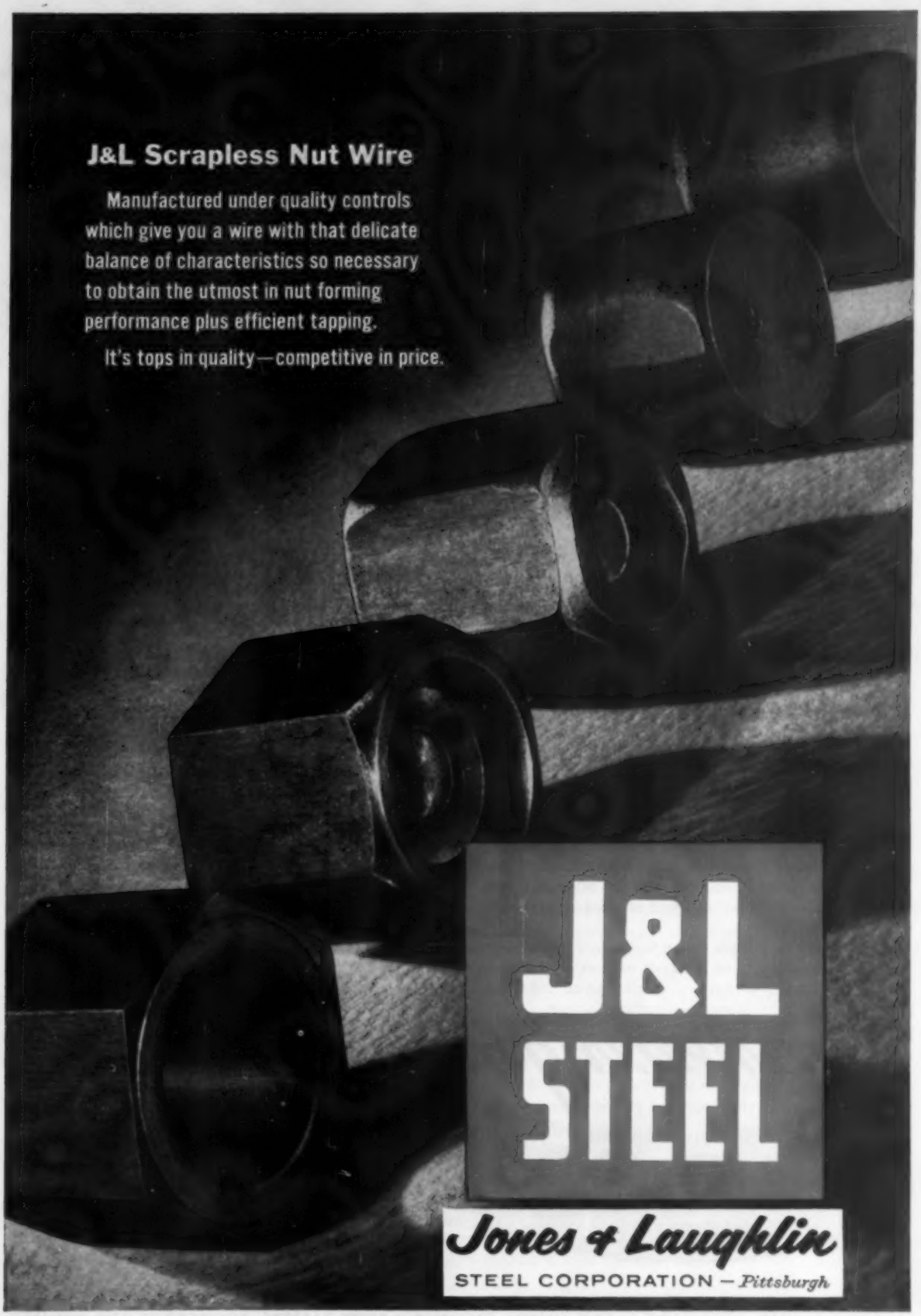
Henry Upjohn Co., Kalamazoo, Mich., and C. B. Kopecky Co. Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., have been appointed sales representatives for **Hartford Special Machinery Co.**, Hartford, Conn. The firm makes drilling and tapping machines, machine components, thread rollers and die polishing machines.

## NEW ADDRESSES

**Scovill Mfg. Co.**, Waterbury, Conn., moved its Cincinnati sales office and warehouse to 2330 Glendale Milford Rd., Evendale, Cincinnati 15, O. G. B. Wood is district sales manager.

**Palnut Co.**, maker of lock nuts and fasteners, moved to its new plant on Glen road, Mountainside, N. J. Capacity of the plant facilities is double those formerly occupied in Irvington, N. J.

**Parker Rust Proof Co.**, Detroit, moved its district sales and service office to 2875 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago 45, Ill.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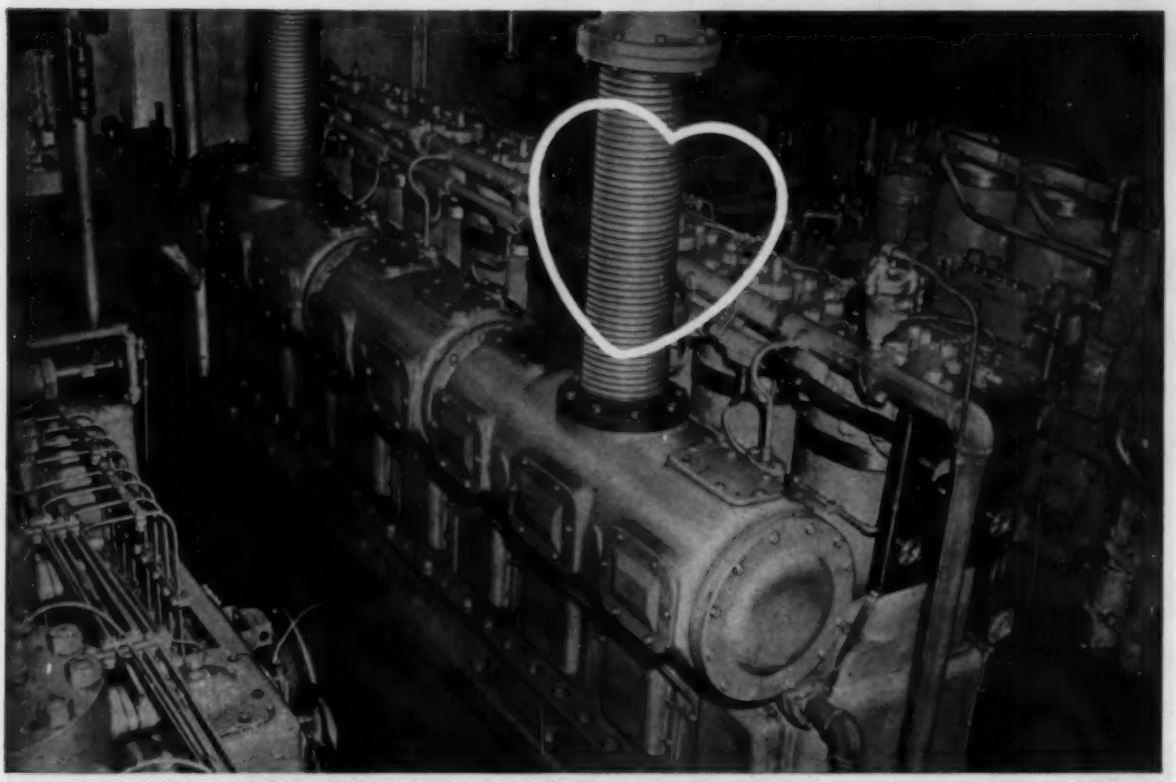

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# Technical Outlook

**INSTRUMENT FOR METALS**—Electro Metallurgical Co. has installed a nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer at its Niagara Falls, N. Y., research laboratories for use in studying metal structures. The company says it believes it is the first industrial research organization to employ this type of equipment in metallurgical research.

**IN. PLUS FT**—Adding machines can deal with feet and inches as easily as tens and twenties, but you have to order them that way. A structural steel firm has one with a wide carriage; the keyboard is arranged in feet, inches and sixteenths of an inch: 10 in. plus 3 in. and presto—the tape shows 1 ft 1 in.

**CHEAPER TV TUBES**—Disc cathodes for narrow neck television tubes will be shown for the first time by Superior Tube Co. at the Radio Engineering Show (New York, Mar. 19-22). Says Superior: The new cathodes will make it cheaper to make television tubes because they allow a narrower neck, reducing the size of the deflection yoke.

**DESIGN BY SURVEY**—Design of the new 2000-ton forging press at Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.'s Dunkirk Works is the result of a survey of press facilities both here and abroad. It is of the inverted type, and has extensive automatic controls. Auxiliary equipment is designed for fast, economical handling of high alloy steels.

**SEARCH FOR STRENGTH**—Three studies for higher strength in metals are about to begin at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland. For Wright Air Development Center: A basic study of ultra-high strength aircraft steels to determine ways of increasing their strength and safety. A second study for the Air Force to determine ways of increasing mechanical performance characteristics of titanium alloys containing normal amounts of impurities. For the Army Ordnance Corps: A search for new alloys of titanium and vanadium that can be processed to strengths approaching those of alloy steels, while retaining light weight and corrosion resistance. For the three: $93,000.

**SEAL OF APPROVAL**—Society of the Plastics Industry Inc. and the National Sanitation Foundation are going to put an official O.K. on plastic pipe for carrying drinking water. The foundation will inspect manufacturing plants, raw materials and finished pipe before permitting use of the seal of approval.

**MATERIALS HOLD KEY**—"The theory of nuclear power generation is no longer a bottleneck in making low-cost atomic power," says Stanley B. Roboff, manager of industrial co-ordination for Sylvania Electric's Atomic Energy Division. He told the AIME meeting in New York on Feb. 22: "Materials are our prime bottleneck. Progress in nuclear power plants will be only as fast as we can develop better materials for use in them."

**URANIUM A-PLENTY**—In another nuclear note sounded at the AIME meeting, Jesse C. Johnson, director of AEC's division of raw materials, said the free world's known uranium reserves have increased to a point where "we no longer see a problem in supplying the uranium requirements of the projected military and power programs." The U. S. and Canada soon will be turning out more uranium than was expected from the entire free world a few years ago, he reported. The uranium industry is almost a $500 million a year business now.

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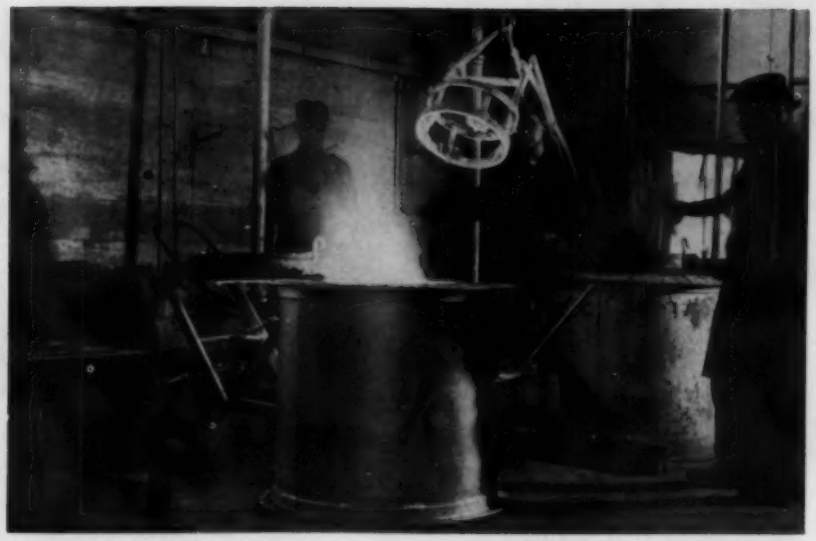
**151 uses for . . .**



Bronze-melting furnace (foreground) was given a single coat of silicone-aluminum paint six months ago. The other furnace was recoated with organic paints several times during the same period

# Silicones in Metalworking

EXPOSE a straight silicone paint to surface temperatures of 650° F for 10 hours a day and it remains in good condition almost indefinitely. Good, high-temperature organic paints soon blister and peel.

That has been the experience of maintenance men at Saginaw Bearing Co., Saginaw, Mich., in testing various paints on their bronze-melting furnaces.

After wire brushing a furnace to bare metal, they applied a single coat of silicone-aluminum paint. Cured in service, the coating was still in near-perfect condition six months later, when the above photograph was taken. Compare its appearance with that of a

## Silicones at Work

### DESIGN

**PRODUCT FINISHES**

**Fluid**

Coating to eliminate fingerprint corrosion on brass
Protective solution for heavily chromed fixtures
Silver tarnish inhibitor
Salt-spray-resistant film for white brass
Luster finish for zinc-plated, black-oxided parts of an electric iron handle

**Compound**

Rust preventive for steel measuring tape
Moisture sealant and protective film for shipboard microphone switches
Anti-food-staining compound for stainless steel walls in cooking ovens

**Resinous**

Black paint for automobile exhaust manifolds
White enamels on commercial cooking ranges and space heaters
Patching compound for ranges where porcelain has cracked off
Corrosion-resistant interior coating for lead-covered steel hot-water pipe

**PRODUCT LUBRICANTS**

**Fluid**

Impregnant for bronze bearings on butterfly valves
Extreme temperature lubricant for flexible shafting when mixed with molybdenum disulphide
Light-load gear train lubricant
Lubricant for small hydraulic piston and cylinder
Release agent for stripping lead from neoprene cable
Lubricant for steel and aluminum bearing surfaces in governor pilot assemblies

**Compound**

Antifreezing lube for exterior lock cylinders on autos
Low dielectric for solderless connectors between aluminum transformer leads and copper lead wire
Antiseizing compound for stainless steel couplings on stainless pipe threads
Combined with zinc chromate on bolt threads, washers and nuts in certain magnesium aircraft assemblies
Corrosion-resistant, thread-sealing compound for shells, bombs and rockets
Lubricant between phenolic laminates and stainless
Thread-gage lubricant
Corrosion inhibitor for magnesium threads engaged in steel threads
Lubricant and surfacing agent on magnesium window screens; prevents discoloration and sticking
Treatment on aluminum wells of food-serving equipment; prevents adhesion of burned-on food

**Grease**

Lubricant for oxygen gas valves

**PRODUCT ADHESIVES**

**Compound**

Pressure-sensitive tape to replace 48 in. of weld on a gas water heater
Pressure-sensitive tape for bonding aluminum heat-

Worker sprays welds on jet engine parts with silicone paint. After a 1-hour bake at 400°F, the silicone-based coating gives the necessary corrosion protection for 800°F operating temperatures

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**Silicones**—This illustrates one of the many new applications for silicones. The accompanying list of silicones at work was prepared in cooperation with Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Mich.

These manmade combinations of silicon, oxygen and organic groups have thermal stability, good release characteristics, are water repellant, antifoaming, nonadhesive and chemically inert. They are made in four basic forms—fluids (oils), compounds (greases), resins and rubbers—and can be formulated for a variety of combined properties.

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An example of the thermal stability of silicones can be found in silicone rubber-coated heater ducts for jet aircraft, which remain flexible despite hot air blasting through them and freezing temperatures outside.

**High Temperatures**—The materials used in many of the combustion chambers and burner supports which are made for J-35 jet engines by Solar Aircraft, Des Moines, Iowa, must remain unaffected by abnormally high temperatures. Aluminum-clad steel solves the problem satisfactorily, except for various fusion welds. These must be recoated with aluminum or a noncorrosive coating that will withstand up to 800° F.

Solar engineers spray or dip the welded part with two coats of Sicon, an aluminum paint formulated with Dow Corning silicone resins by Midland Industrial Fin-

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ing elements to steel shell of hot water heater
Pressure-sensitive adhesive coating on aluminum and copper sheets; maintains position during soldering

**Resinous**

High dielectric bond betwen a strain gage and aluminum sheet

**Silicone Rubber**

Bond between brass and molded graphite parts
High dielectric bond between water-cooled aluminum plates at edge of steel laminations in transformers

## PRODUCTION

### PARTING AGENTS, GENERAL

**Fluid**

Mold dressing for casting silver ingots
Parting agent for brass ingots and copper anodes
Release agent for centrifugally cast steel gears
Release agent for continuous cast aluminum; added to negative meniscus during casting
Mold dressing for casting welding rod
Release agent for casting antimony
Dressing for cast iron and water-cooled molds for brass and bronze ingots
Release agent for stainless steel ingots
Sealant for powdered metal parts; prevents plating solution from pentrating pores
Die lubricant for pressing tungsten powder
Release agent for casting magnesium and aluminum motor heads
Replacement for core oil on steel core-mold
Dressing for aluminum patterns to release sand cores containing phenolic binders
Parting agent in molding copper alloy

**Compound**

Mold dressing for water-cooled copper molds for sterling silver ingots
Release agent and antibuildup coating for Linotypes
Release agent for stretch-forming magnesium over a heated stainless steel form; used in the Lalli process

**Grease**

Release agent for metal flash on flash welder

**Resinous**

Treatment for wax and plastic patterns in lost-wax process
Permanent release coating for small laboratory permanent mold
Release coating for casting lead battery plates
Binder for powdered metal cores
Impregnant for graphite molds used in casting aluminum oxide

**Silicone Rubber**

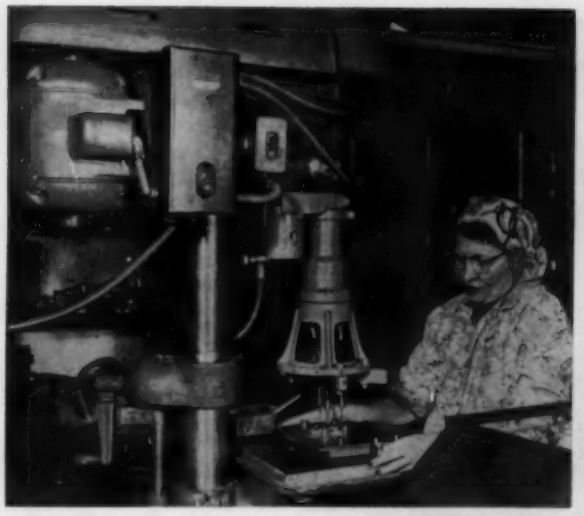
Seal around brass insert for casting aluminum
Gasket to aid removal of zinc billets from molds

### PARTING AGENT, Diecasting

Mold lubricant for hard-to-release diecastings of zinc, aluminum, magnesium alloy, including parts which are later chrome plated

### PARTING AGENT, Shell Molding

Release for steel, stainless steel and aluminum patterns in automatic and manually operated machines;



The 1-hp motor on this drill press overheated badly until it was rewound with Class-H, silicone insulation

A silicone release agent keeps holding bolts from bonding to the power unit when it is impregnated with resin

ishes, Waukegan, Ill. After a 1-hour bake at 400° F, the silicone-based coating provides the required protection.

**High Speeds**—Optimum cutting speed of the 6-32 taps in the 4-spindle drill press operated by the Allen-Stevens Corp., contract diecasters of Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y., is in the range of 1800 rpm. In an automatic feed machine, that spindle speed means about 1450 cycles, or 2900 full reverses in an hour.

The 1-hp, Class-A insulated drive motor overheated so badly it had to be shut down 2 hours out of every 8. To keep the machine operating 8 hours a day, spindle speed had to be reduced to 655 rpm, resulting in tap breakage costing an average of $10 a day.

Allen-Stevens rewound the motor with Class-H insulation made with silicones. Spindle speed was returned to the maximum, and tap breakage stopped. Production has tripled. Lost time has been eliminated.

**Release Agent**—Silicones, ap-

## Silicones at Work

also used in Dietert process, in which vegetable oil is substituted for the phenolic resins used in conventional shell molding

**WIRE-DRAWING LUBRICANT**

Drawing lubricant for various wire metals, including aluminum and tantalum

**GENERAL-PURPOSE ANTISTICKING**

**Fluid**

Antioxidizing coating on the surface of molten solder in small tinning pots
Release agent on aluminum core boxes
Release agent for transite boxes to prevent adhesion of molding sands

**Compound**

Compound to prevent build up of gold lacquer on press used to punch tin can covers
Coating to prevent oxidation of welded seams
Compound to prevent hold-down bolts from baking in place during varnish-curing of coil lamination in reciprocating motor
Seal for hollow end of heating unit during electroplating

**Resinous**

Baked-on coating to prevent liquid solder from sticking to certain areas on copper-bus bar connectors
Baked-on coating for brass

**FINISH AND FINISHING OPERATIONS**

**Fluid**

Treated tissues for wiping glass shields on soldering equipment

**Resinous**

Heat-resistant finish for gasoline-torch-heated soldering irons
Heat-resistant finish for bronze-smelting furnaces
Heat-resistant finish for large core oven doors
Corrosion-resistant interior finish for steel hot air ducts
Corrosion-resistant finish on heat exchanger tubes

**Silicone Rubber**

Wipers to remove excess tin during tinning of copper wire
Wipers to remove heavy scum from tin and lead covered steel pipe after leaving hot flux bath
Rubber stamps to mark hot metal

**ALUMINUM FOIL PROCESSING**

**Compound**

Foam control in aluminum foil processing oil

**Resinous**

Adhesive to bond foil to core as it comes off the rolling mill
Adhesive to patch and splice foil prior to several hours annealing at 800° F

**HIGH TEMPERATURE BATHS**

Bath for annealing cadmium-plated spring steel
Bath to anneal collapsible aluminum tubes
Heat transfer bath for heat-treating aluminum pistons

Operators had to shut down these grinders 15 minutes out of every hour because of foaming coolant. A silicone antifoam emulsion eliminated the down time

plied as emulsion or solvent solutions, are especially effective as release agents on metal patterns in the shell molding process. Fluids and compounds are used as release agents in diecasting, investment casting, permanent mold casting and ingot pouring.

Another metalworking application: The power assemblies for portable sanders and jig saws made by Syncro Corp., Oxford, Mich., are impregnated with a polyester resin and baked out at 275° F. During impregnation and baking, they are held together by four special bolts, which are later removed. Frequently the bolts became bonded to the power unit assembly and removing them was difficult and costly. Scrap ran high.

A silicone release agent on the bolt solved the problem. Production increased 300 per cent, scrap loss dropped to zero.

**Water Repellant**—Silicone resins provide a water-repellant coating for masonry and concrete. The fluids form water-repellant films on wood, glass, rubber, ceramics and other solid surfaces.

**Defoamers**—Low surface tension is a characteristic property of the silicone fluids. This property makes them particularly effective in defoaming adhesives, synthetic rubber and lattices, caustic liquors and varnishes. Added to paints, silicones prevent pigment floating.

In a midwest auto parts plant, a silicone antifoam emulsion increases productive capacity by eliminating a serious foaming problem with the water and oil coolants used in heavy-duty grinders.

Recirculated to the working surface every 5 minutes, the coolants foamed so badly that the grinders were down 15 minutes of every hour while the foam was cleared away. A few ordinary foam in-

## MAINTENANCE

### IN-PLANT LUBRICATION

**Fluid**

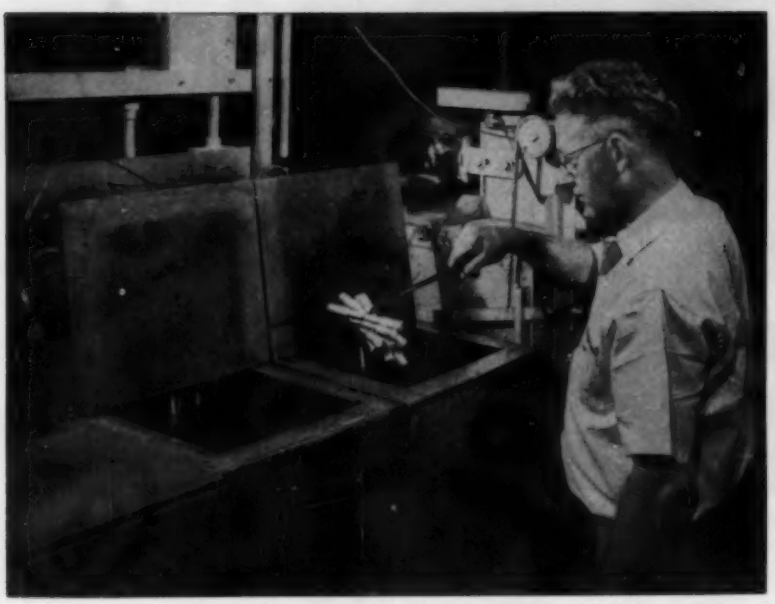
Additive in soldering flux; improves appearance on soldered joint
Impregnated cotton buffers to remove excess solder during can manufacture
Antiseize treatment for collets used in heat treatment of automotive valves
Additive in rolling oil lubricant; increases life of dies used to stamp aluminum pie plates
Lubricant for extruding aluminum
Packing impregnant for two bearings at the end of a soldering roll on solder pots
Rust preventive for hand tools and other metal parts with finely machined surfaces in storage
Lubricant for high-speed drilling of aluminum
Lubricant for bending aluminum tubing
Lubricant for diecasting machine plunger
Lubricants for conveyor chains subjected to Bonderizing bath at high temperatures

**Compound**

Brushed-on coating to prevent pressure tools from bonding to the metal part during "Metlbond" operation
Substitute for plaster of paris; prevents zinc from coating threads during galvanizing

**Grease**

Lubricant for: Steel wiper blades applying lacquer to steel stripping
Bearings of direct-connected pump over molten salt baths in austempering furnace
Ball bearings on cupola intake draft fan
Bronze camshaft bearing on carbon steel shaft in a turbine unit
Oven exhaust fan bearings
Bearings of smelting equipment
Conveyor bearings operating over electrolytic bath; unaffected by alkalies
Bearings of rolls used in tin plating
Bearings of cranes and cover-carriages working over soaking pits
Roller bearings on tin-dipping machines
Solder rolls
Ball bearings in beer can lithograph curing ovens
Ball bearings on continuous welding machine for steel drums
Solder box bearings
Roller bearings in pallets traveling through sintering ovens
Conveyor passing through nickel and chromium plating tanks
Conveyor carrying parts through an alkaline cleaning machine
Baking oven conveyors
Roller bearings for conveyor systems on an annealing furnace
Trolley wheels conveying sand molds into baking ovens
Motor bearings beneath annealing oven carts
Carts carrying steel castings into heat-treating furnaces
Flexible shafts of small grinders
Bearing surface of a vertical arm which removes red-hot crankshafts from heating oven prior to forging
Shafts of ladles carrying molten metal



Used for accelerated life testing at 300 to 400°F, 5-gallon baths of silicone fluid have been held at operating temperatures for more than three years

hibitors were effective, but they also reduced the coolant's efficiency.

Four years ago, the partsmaker tried a silicone antifoaming agent in the coolant. Foam vanished. Only ¾-cupful kills foam in the 300-gallon tanks in Mattison grinders. A pint defoams 500 gallons of coolant in the reservoirs of Blanchard tappet finishing grinders.

**Nonadhesive** — Silicones refuse to stick to things. This property makes the rubbers useful in such applications as sleeves for rolls of machines processing pressure-sensitive tapes or applying adhesives.

While they normally are nonadhesive, the silicones can be formulated to form tough, flexible bonds for mating rubber to metal, glass, plastics and ceramics. Pressure-sensitive tapes made with silicone compounds can be applied at temperatures ranging from −70 to +475° F and retain good adhesive strength after long exposure to these temperatures.

**Inert**—These versatile chemicals can be extremely lazy. Silicones refuse to react with most materials. This enables them to resist decomposition and weathering. They produce no corrosive effects on metals.

The long life of the silicones has been demonstrated at Dow Chemical Co. Used in the metallurgical laboratories for accelerated life testing of magnesium alloys at temperatures ranging from 300 to 400° F, 5-gallon baths of silicone fluid have been held at operating temperature constantly for more than three years.

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## Silicones at Work

**Silicone Rubber**

Plug for flexible metal tubing during soldering
Bonded to hot metal dies; serves as a resilient tip for bonding gold leaf to plastic

### ELECTRICAL INSULATION

Insulation on variety of electric motors: Automatic nut tighteners, stamping presses, reamers, shakers, automatic and rapid reversing lathes, charging hoists, stripper pit cranes, pumps handling caustic solutions, wire-drawing equipment, automatic thread cutters, hand and swing grinders, coilers, core oven and furnace draft fans and conveyors
Impregnant for induction coil used for heating up ingots prior to forging
Components of lining cements in furnaces

### GENERAL-PURPOSE SEALS

**Fluid**

Pot seal fluid; enables bronze bellows to be substituted for stainless steel bellows in measuring instruments designed to withstand corrosive vapors and gases

**Compound**

Impregnated packing; increases life of pump handling corrosive gases
High vacuum seals in a titanium refining process

**Resinous**

Bond for asbestos gaskets used in stacks venting hot air and gases

**Silicone Rubber**

Coated cloth to seal top of an electric furnace
Extruded strips to seal dump boxes in shell-molding machines
Coated cloth curtain for heat-treating furnaces
Sheet stock: serves as flexible seal for heat exchanger ductwork on open-hearth and blast furnaces

### FOAM CONTROL

**Fluid**

Coolants used in Blanchard and Mattison grinders
Cutting oil for lathes
Penetrating oil used for soaking metal parts
Sulphuric acid solution in pickling baths

**Compound**

Hot caustic solution used for reclaiming tin
Caustic solution used to clean steel drums
Nickel plating solution

### MISCELLANEOUS

**Fluid**

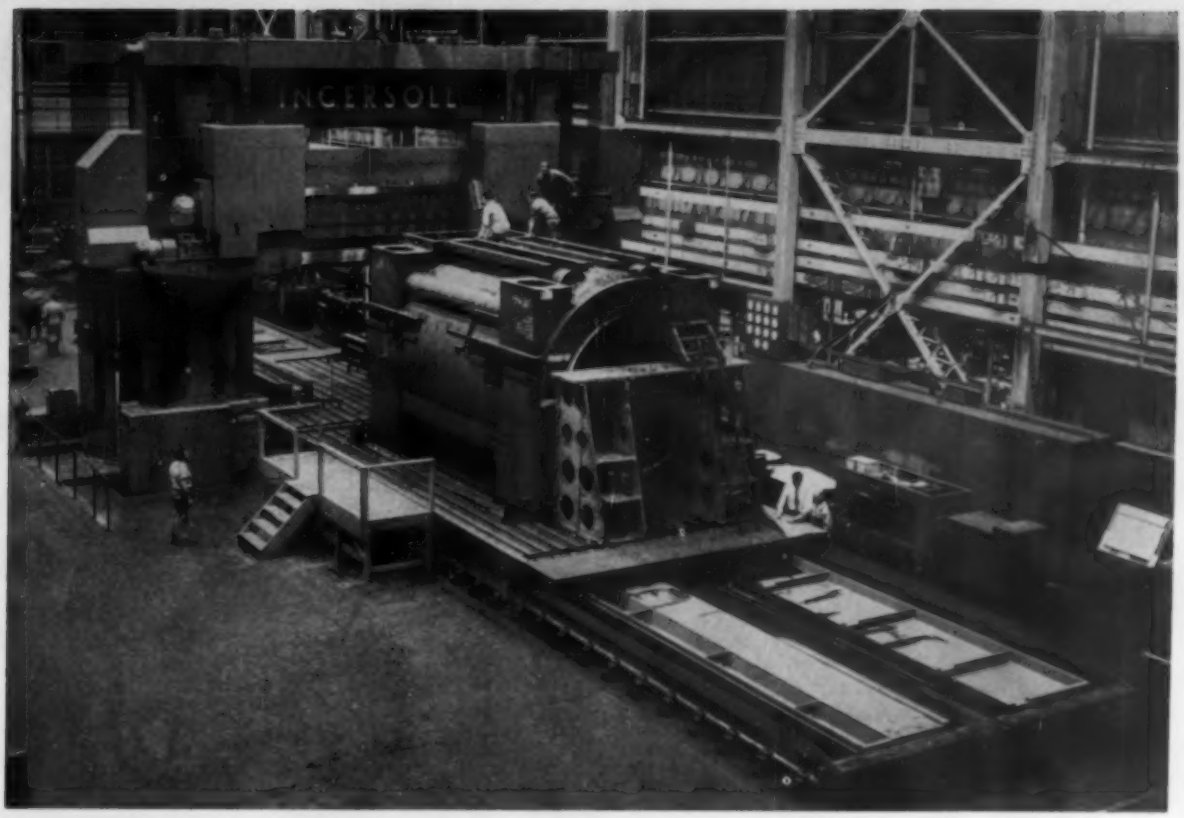
Shock absorber time delay assembly; unit used to stop steel billets as they slide along conveyors
Liquid springs one-tenth as heavy as comparable steel coil springs
Impregnant for powdered-iron pulley to eliminate dusting on a rubber belt
High viscosity fluid used on screws in certain aircraft assemblies to prevent them from shaking loose

**Compound**

Used with a thickness gage; transmits mechanical vibrations and holds gage in place

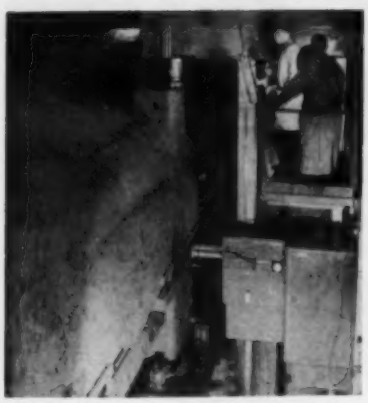
**Silicone Rubber**

Coated cloth for machine covers




Towering high above the floor at Ingersoll Milling Machine Co.'s plant, the 18½-ft adjustable-rail milling machine takes a cut on a 72-ton stator frame

# Giant with a Feather Touch



All of the machine's 575 hp are controlled from this pendant. Milling cutters are carbide

THE LARGEST milling machine in the world. That's the claim of executives at General Electric and Ingersoll Milling Machine Co. who signed the order for it on Apr. 29, 1954. Some 6000 engineering man-hours later the adjustable-rail machine is ready on schedule.

Despite its size, the machine will have to work to close tolerances. It will mill the joint surface of low pressure hoods to within 0.003-in. flat over the 16-ft surface.

The million-dollar giant ($500,000 more goes into tooling, foundation and installation) weighs 1¼ million pounds. It's now undergoing run-in in the high (43 ft under the crane hook) assembly bay at Ingersoll's Rockford, Ill., plant. The machine stands 35 ft high.

**Capacity**—Big enough to clear a box car with ease, the mill will handle parts 18 ft wide, 16½ ft high and more than 50 ft long. Two tables, 22 and 30 ft long, travel on the 112-ft bedways. They'll make it possible to have one part in the machine while another is being loaded and set up. The machine has two vertical and two horizontal heads. Each has its own 100-hp drive.

GE will use the machine in its Schenectady, N. Y., plant to mill huge steam turbine and generator parts. Replacing several older machines, it will save floor space and will reduce inventory of huge workpieces by getting them through the shop without delay. Machining parts in only two setups, the unit is expected to reduce the crane lifts by 50 per cent.

**Delivery**—GE will use the giant the middle of this year. It will be disassembled in Rockford and shipped on 17 freight cars.

It is designed around current GE production requirements. Anticipating future needs, however, both GE and Ingersoll engineers worked in features and capacity for jobs to come.

Three conveyors climb out of the floor carrying scrap toward the control tower. The two larger units, built by Planet Corp., Lansing, Mich., dump their loads into automatic balers. The third, built by Mechanical Handling Systems Inc., Detroit, carries smaller pieces and deposits into a hopper for direct loading into gondola cars

# Scrap Gets Heave Ho

A PUSHBUTTON conveyor system disposes of more than 4500 tons of steel scrap a month at Chevrolet's new stamping and frame plant near Flint, Mich.

Running beneath the plant floor, more than a mile of conveyors collect scrap which slides down chutes from trim presses and other equipment in the stamping section.

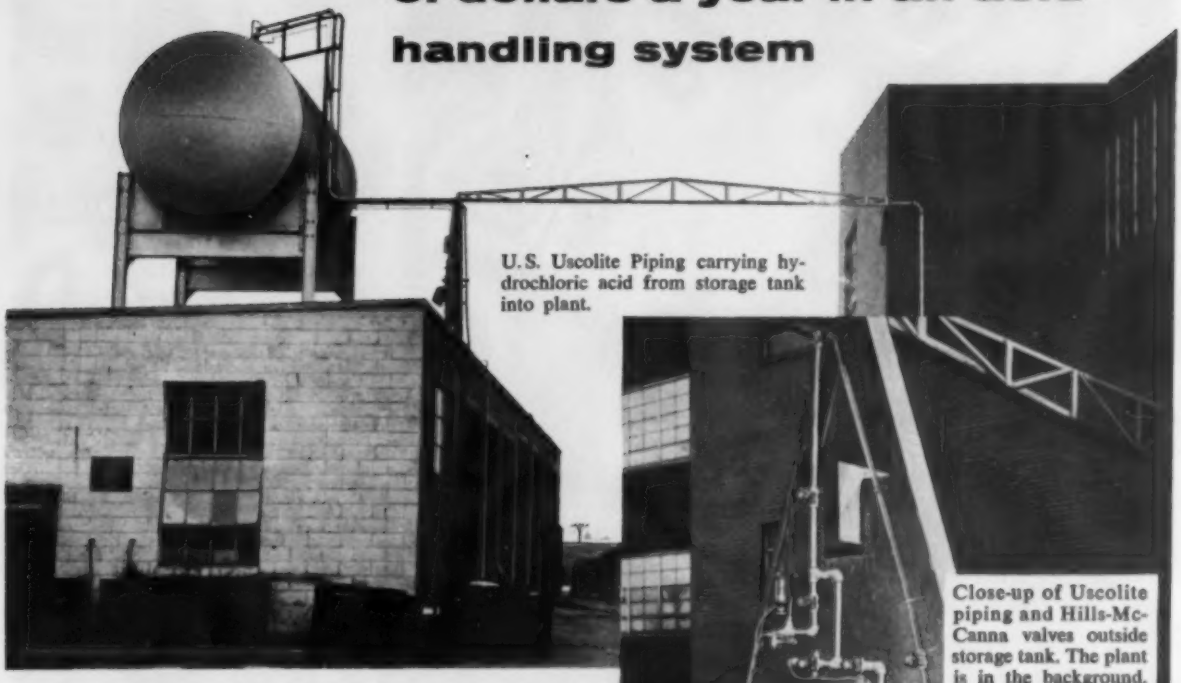
Large scrap is dumped into Logemann balers and compressed into 200-lb bundles. Smaller scrap is loaded into gondola cars by an electromagnet.

The monthly scrap volume fills some 80 rail cars with bales and ten with smaller clippings. The scrap is melted down at the Chevrolet gray iron foundry in nearby Saginaw, or sold to steel mills and other buyers.

In the control tower (above), the operator views the mounting piles of scrap deposited at the balers by means of strategically placed mirrors. When the accumulation is sufficient at any of the three machines, he pushes a button and the scrap is compressed into a 200-lb bundle in about 27 seconds

The compressed bundles (left) are carried by a long-necked conveyor to gondola cars which can be moved into position by another pushbutton in the control tower

# Uscolite Pipe helps save thousands of dollars a year in an acid-handling system



U.S. Uscolite Piping carrying hydrochloric acid from storage tank into plant.

Close-up of Uscolite piping and Hills-McCanna valves outside storage tank. The plant is in the background.

A large Eastern manufacturer of lighting and signaling systems uses 300 feet of Uscolite® plastic pipe to carry hydrochloric acid from storage tanks outside the plant across an areaway, and then through various production departments to final use in the plating room. Previously, carboys of acid had been used, because the plant had no facilities to store acid in bulk. But by installing a new acid-handling system, using U.S. Uscolite piping and fittings, the plant saves thousands of dollars a year—they now *buy and store in bulk*. Additional thousands are saved by reduced handling costs.

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The plant engineer is pleased because Uscolite's unusual mechanical strength enables it to be left exposed in any weather, and to be run overhead through various parts of the plant without fear of damage to men or machines. Hills-McCanna Uscolite valves are used in the piping assembly.

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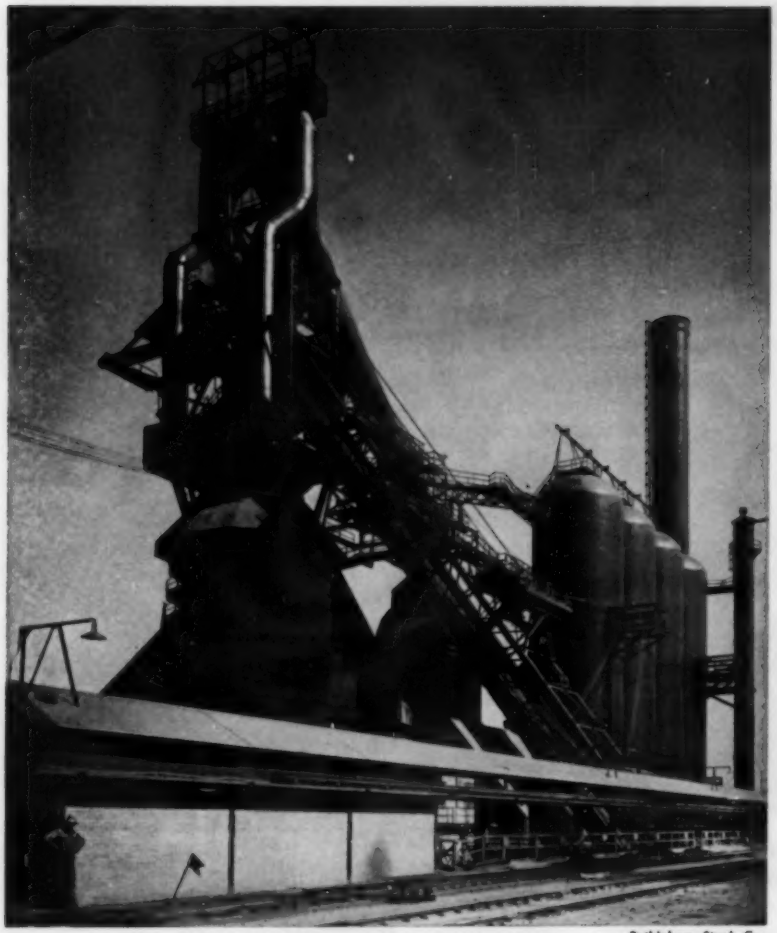

Bethlehem Steel Co.

*High sulphur coke may be an asset when . . .*

# Carbide Brings the Sulphur Down

IN THE HIGH temperatures of the electric furnace, calcium carbide can be used as a desulphurizer. The reaction presumably goes $CaC_2 + S = CaS + 2C$. A new desulphurizing process, carried out in the ladle, makes it possible to use the reaction at the lower temperatures of blast furnace iron.

The trick is to use an inert carrier gas to inject the carbide under the slag in the ladle. Air Reduction Co., which developed the process, has tested it on 40,000 tons of blast furnace iron and open-hearth steel over the last year and a half. Tentative conclusion: The process is reliable and practical, especially with melts having a high sulphur content before treatment.

**Progress Report**—J. M. Crockett, manager of the metallurgical section, Air Reduction Sales Co., described the process at the recent Pittsburgh meeting of the Eastern States Blast Furnace & Coke Oven Association. Enough data have been gathered on it, he said, to make possible estimates of costs. Included is the possibility of using furnace burdens with higher sulphur content.

The process requires relatively simple equipment: A nitrogen gas supply (cylinders), a unit to mix gas and carbide and control rate of flow (the feeder), a rubber conveying hose and an injector to carry gas and carbide below the surface of the molten iron. The injector is a ½-in. ID x 2 in. OD graphite tube. A simple hoist is all that is needed to raise and lower the tube in the ladle.

**How Much?** — Theoretically, it should take about 2½-lb of carbide to remove 1 lb of sulphur, but in tests the process operated at from 6 to 23 per cent of this level. On the average, it took about 8 lb of carbide to bring down the sulphur in a ton of iron to about half its level before treatment. The process was most efficient when the starting sulphur was over 0.030 per cent.

The reaction does not affect the chemistry of iron except for the sulphur removal. There is no nitrogen pickup from the carrier gas and no sulphur reversion after the injection tube is removed. The slag formed is dry and easily skimmed, and does not react with ladle refractories.

**Fitting In**—How best to integrate the process will depend on plant layouts. Experimental setups have been installed on a catwalk over ladle car tracks and on a ladle crane. The equipment is small enough to be made portable.

It can be operated by unskilled labor, once the sulphur level has been determined. Carbide injected can be a measured quantity, or can be regulated by injection time. Time is important because the reaction lowers the temperature of the iron.

The process has many variables: Ratio of gas to carbide, injection rate, immersion depth of the tube, size and type of ladle, temperature of metal, sulphur level before injection and the level required were mentioned. How they affect the operating picture, and the economic side of the process will be discussed at the April meeting of the AIME in Cincinnati.

**Stove Control**—A look at automatic hot blast stove control in Germany by Hermann Jansen, technical director of Zimmermann & Jansen GmbH in the Rhineland,

# 7 of the 8 open hearths in No. 2 shop at Indiana Harbor have Ramset bottoms

YOUNGSTOWN Sheet and Tube is making steel on 7 Ramset bottoms in its No. 2 open hearth shop at the Indiana Harbor Works.

The majority of bottoms installed in new open hearth shops during the past several years are of rammed construction. And of these hearths, Ramset installations number more than half again as many as any other magnesia ramming mix.

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revealed wide divergence from American practice. In at least one German installation, 15 stoves for five blast furnaces are controlled by one man from a central panel, and smaller automatic installations are numerous.

Valves are electrically operated and interlocked so that stove changing is a matter of pushing a button. Change-over times are as short as 45 seconds. If power fails, 4-minute manual change-over is possible.

High efficiency burners developed by Zimmermann & Jansen take advantage of the low heat losses that accompany fast change-over. Some delegates were frankly skeptical of the practicality of shifting existing American installations to full automatic operation. "Ignoring the obviously high installation cost," one remarked, "what do we do with the displaced stove tenders?"

**More Air —** A proposal that stands a better chance of immediate adoption was: Fire the stoves all the way with 50-per-cent excess air. It was presented by R. Milton Deaner, service engineer of Arthur G. McKee & Co.

With present methods of firing, he pointed out, the stove domes soon reach their top practical limit of 2100°F. Then it is necessary to back on and off on the heat to ride this maximum, while the heat slowly soaks into the lower checkers. By blowing excess air from the start, the stove heats gradually throughout, reaching the 2100°F limit only at the end of the cycle.

More even heating, increased effective heat storage capacity of the stove, less plastic flow and thermal shock while providing a 1400°F straight-line blast temperature were advantages cited. It was pointed out that the excess air would raise gas exit temperatures, making a problem in some older stoves, and that larger capacity blowers might be required.

On the coke oven side of the meeting, oven operators and coal men took a hard look at coal chemical business lost to petrochemicals. The concensus: Coke can win back lost chemical markets through methods such as light oil hydrogenation, but it's going to take equipment and plenty of money.

# Computers Move to Production

## One aircraft company already is using them to solve its problems of scheduling, inventory and parts requirements

ELECTRONIC computers soon may be calling cadence for production machinery. Many of the big computers in industry were bought to solve engineering and scientific problems, but management is taking advantage of them to unscramble complex production puzzles.

C. R. DeCarlo, director of IBM's applied science division, sees computers as a "natural answer for problems of production, inventory and other industrial operations."

**Scheduling—**At a meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Dr. DeCarlo cited the experience of an aircraft company using a computer for "production scheduling and control of shop orders." The system treats engineering, manufacturing, inventory and planning information simultaneously.

After the company gets a contract for a new model, management gets up a master schedule, stating the number of ships to be built, rates of production and the number of days a specified rate is to be effective.

**Timetable—**The computer devours these data and comes up with a base schedule that shows, by shop calendar date, the exact day each ship is due at a given station or position on the production line.

If manufacturing schedules accelerate or slow down, the base schedule is altered accordingly. After the base schedule is figured, ships of one contract are grouped into lots and all fabrication and assembly parts are scheduled to the first ship of the lot.

**One File—**All information relating to the schedule (engineering description, spare parts requirements, cost, etc.) is written as one main tape file. A file, prepared every week, reflects all changes in the main parts and schedule file. This one contains engineering and manufacturing changes, as well as inventory information.

These two files are worked together to get a new main tape. Engineering and manufacturing changes are entered in the new main file. Part usage by assembly and plane is extended and summarized by lot and contracts. Net quantities are computed for each lot in each contract. Part orders are checked, and if a need for a part is determined, it is scheduled and recorded.

The machine will continue to schedule quantities for each lot until a lot is reached that doesn't require new shop orders. Finally, orders are written for replacement parts.

Dr. DeCarlo concludes that "perhaps the most important concept . . . lies in the consolidation of many files (all basically related to the part number) into one file."

He says: "There are several areas of dissatisfaction in production and inventory management which have defied the efforts of man to exercise rational control over them. The electronic computer . . . has generated a great hope . . . in this area."

## Trouble Spot

Improper mounting is the culprit behind about one-third of all grinding wheel failures. That's the warning from Norton Co., Worcester, Mass. Ralph N. S. Merritt, Norton product safety engineer, points out that this can cover a multitude of sins, from using the wrong arbor to running the wheel beyond its rated speed.

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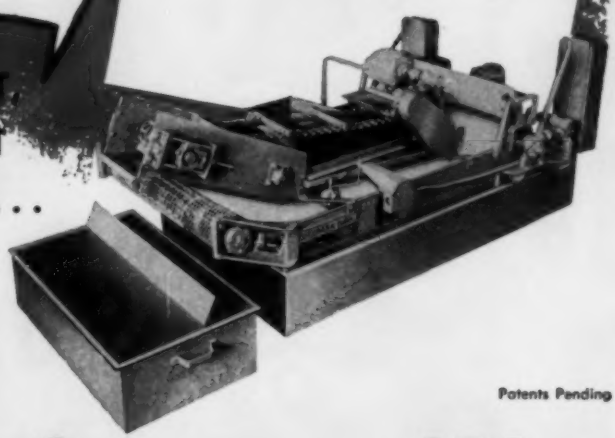

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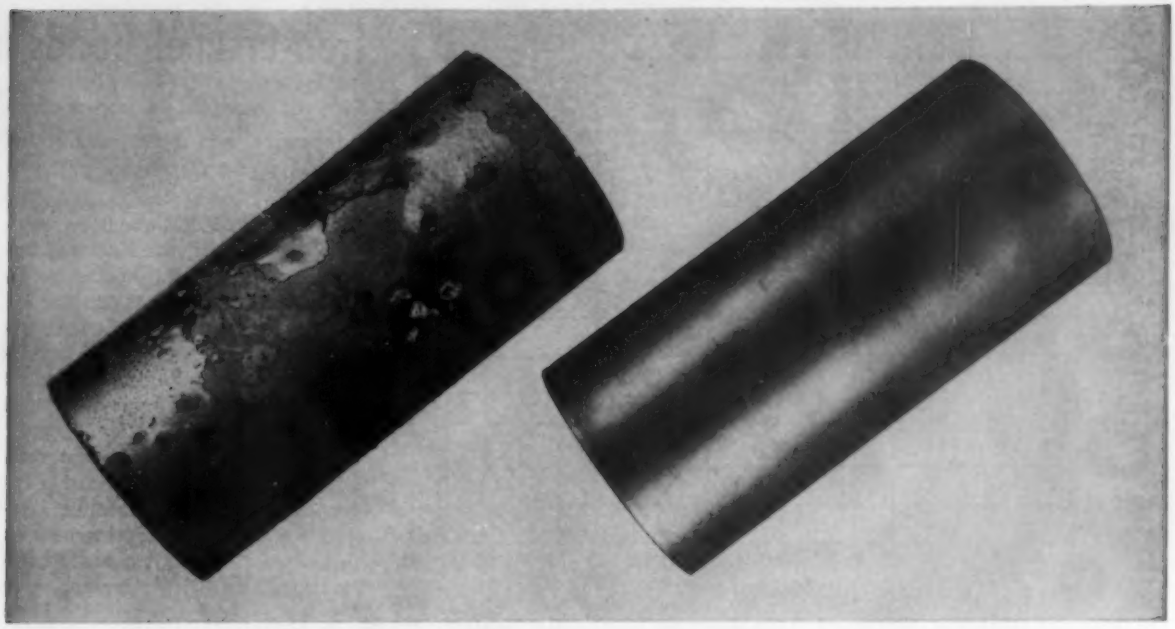

# Scale-Free Heating in a Direct-Fired Furnace

By HORACE DREVER
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**Typical Performance**

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| Weight of billet | 15 lb |
| Throughput | 72 an hour |
| Weight | 1080 lb per hr |
| Temperature of stock | 2156°F |
| Average gas rate | 2400 cfh |
| Gas quality | 450 Btu per cu ft |

Note: Billets are of mild steel. They were heated in a hearth area of 12 sq ft at a furnace temperature of 2192° F

THE STEEL billets are of identical quality and size.

The one at left was charged clean into a direct-fired gas furnace, raised to 2340°F in about 20 minutes, held for 30 minutes at temperature and cooled in a dry nitrogen atmosphere. The scale formation was about 0.117 lb per sq ft of surface area.

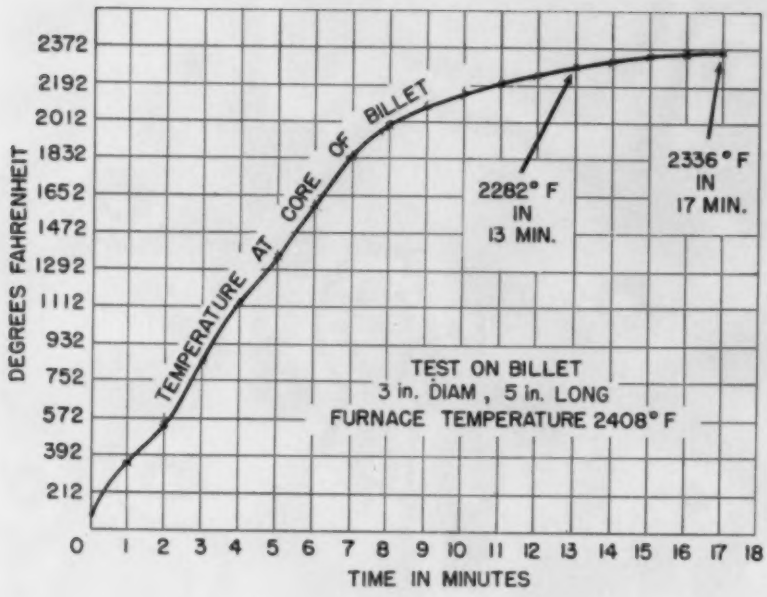
The billet at right was heated to the same temperature in an Equiverse furnace in 17 minutes, held for 30 minutes and cooled in a dry nitrogen atmosphere. The metal loss was nil.

**New System** — The Equiverse furnace, which was developed in England, uses a new controlled atmosphere technique for scale-free heating of steel. The burners which do the heating also create a scale-free atmosphere when operating up to 2350°F.

The principle of this system is the operation of burners at about 50 per cent of the air required for complete combustion; this air is preheated to obtain the high temperatures required. The products of combustion, which form the nonscaling atmosphere, are high in hydrogen and carbon monoxide. The other 50 per cent of air required for combustion is added in a regenerator which is used to preheat the primary combustion air.

**Scale Formation**—In a direct-fired furnace, scale formation occurs in atmospheres with up to about 12-per-cent CO after partial combustion of the fuel. Above 12 per cent, scale formation drops rapidly; at 16.5 per cent it is practically zero. Forging temperatures have been maintained satisfactorily in the Equiverse furnace with a CO content of between 12 and 16.5 per cent.

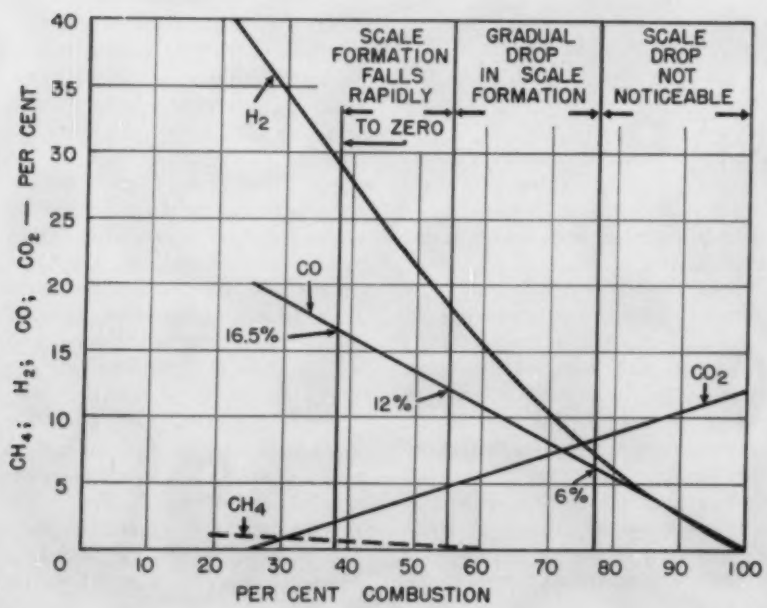
**Regenerators** — The basis of scale-free heating is in the use of two metallic matrix regenerators located above the furnace. The furnace is fired alternately from the burners on one side and then from the opposite side, the cycling




taking place every 30 to 60 seconds. The same cycling directs the products of combustion first through one regenerator and then the other.

The design of the regenerators makes them highly efficient heat exchangers. Both temperature and flow conditions are maintained automatically, insuring almost complete recovery of waste chemical and sensible heat, and the positive proportioning of combustion air between the burners and the regenerators. The regenerators reduce the stack temperature from a normal 2300 or 2400°F to about 600°F.

This new system of atmosphere control is not confined to batch production but may be applied to conventional continuous furnaces of the straight-through or rotary type.




# Iron-Enamel Bonds

**Role of oxygen in iron-enamel adherence has been evaluated in a series of tests**

TO LEARN MORE about ceramic-to-metal bonding, the National Bureau of Standards conducted a series of experiments in which oxygen content of the furnace atmosphere was varied when a vitreous enamel containing different amounts of cobalt oxide was fired onto iron.

Results reveal that, for optimum adherence, any decrease of oxygen in the furnace atmosphere requires a corresponding increase in the amount of cobalt oxide. Enamels containing 3.2 per cent or more develop a weak but definite bond where furnace oxygen is as low as 0.02 mole per cent, but when smaller amounts are used, more oxygen is needed for good bonding.

**Oxygen Supplier**—A coating containing 0.4 per cent cobalt oxide developed its best adherence at an oxygen content of 20 mole per cent (about that of air). Enamels with more cobalt reached their peak adherence at about 5 mole per cent of oxygen.

Enamels with larger amounts of adherence oxides do not require as much oxygen in the atmosphere as those with smaller amounts; this indicates that oxygen can be supplied by the enamel itself. The cobalt oxide in some way supplies, or facilitates the supply of some of the oxygen, since the amount of the oxide is the only difference in the coatings.

**Roughness**—Metallographic sections of specimens showed that the adherence increased with increasing roughness of interface between enamel and iron. The roughing of the enamel occurs during firing by what is believed to be a galvanic corrosion mechanism. Reducible oxides in the coating can furnish the necessary oxygen.

There is evidence, however, which indicates that interface roughness does not completely account for adherence: Poor adherence has been observed on rough interfaces. Also, fairly good adherence has been obtained on alloys without surface roughening.

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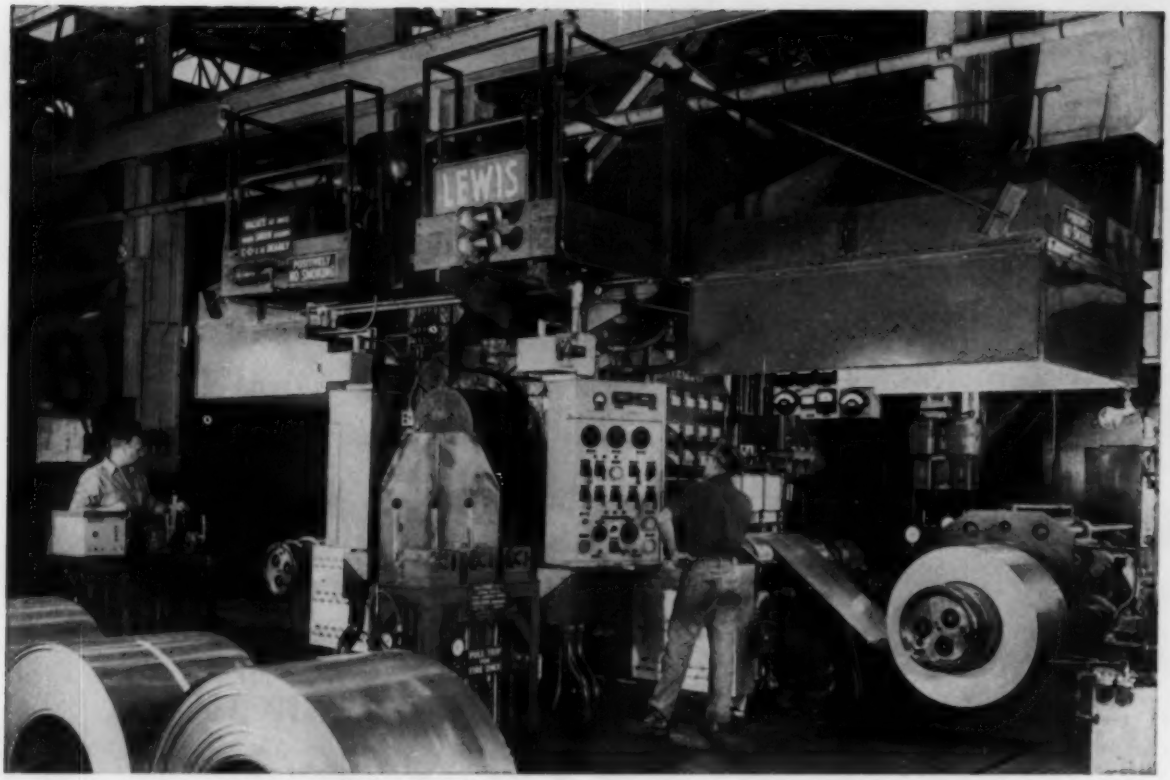



*Cold rolling mills like this one promise a . . .*

# Boost for Nonferrous Strip Output

TWO, NEW high-speed rolling mills at its Torrington, Conn., plant are helping American Brass Co. keep pace with the growing demand for aluminum and copper-base alloy strip.

They are 10 x 29 x 36-in., four-high, reversing cold mills built by Lewis Machinery Division of Blaw-Knox Co., Pittsburgh.

**Statistics** — Rolling strip at speeds ranging from 400 to 1200 fpm, the 36-in. mills can cold reduce 0.125-in. thick aluminum alloy to 0.010-in., with intermediate anneals if needed.

Inner diameter of the finished coils is 20 in.; maximum outer diameter is 49 in. The coils are 14 to 32½-in. wide and weigh about 4800 lb.

**Drive**—A 600-hp motor drives each mill. One mill has a 75-hp motor and a 150-hp motor mounted in tandem with an interposing clutch driving each reel. Dual motors on the winders give the operator greater sensitivity in controlling the tension on the strip going through the mill. The other mill has a 250-hp motor on each reel.

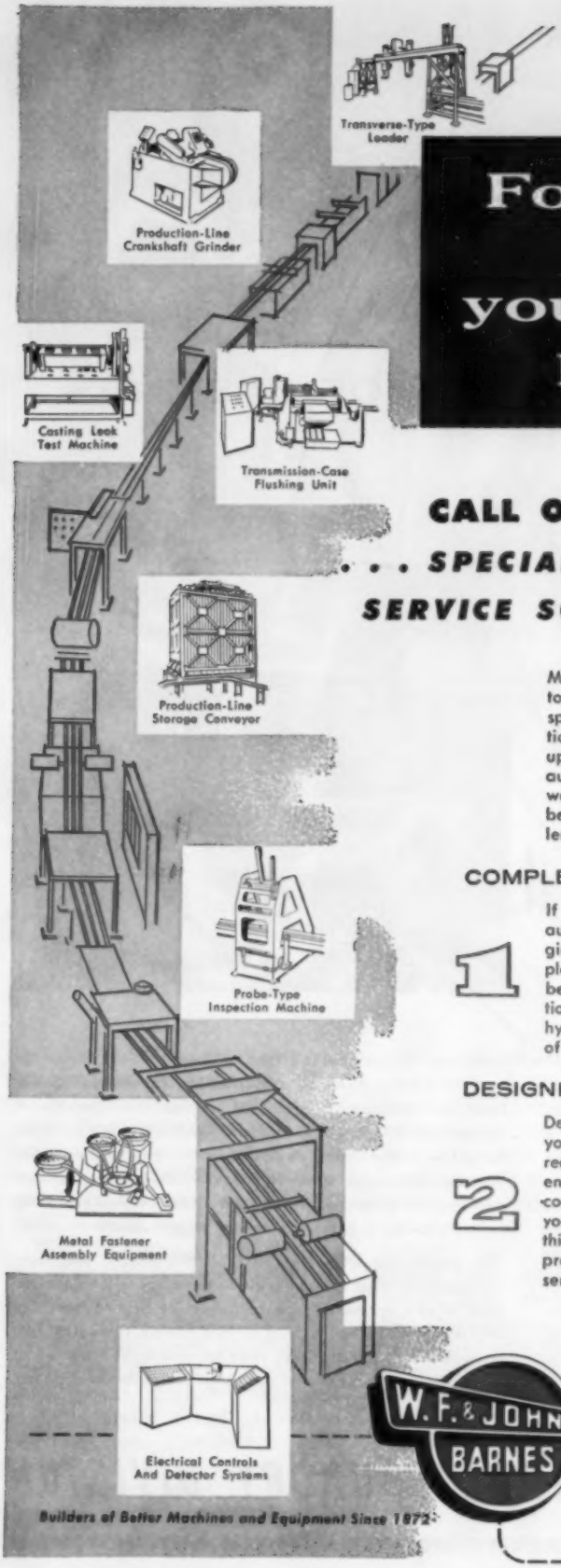
Controls for the mill and auxiliary equipment are located for greatest convenience. The operator's cabinet swivels for good visibility and accessibility. Beside the operator are petcock controls for the spray nozzles and controls for the auxiliary equipment, the reels, pinch rolls and side guard adjustment.

**Versatile**—The auxiliary equipment and controls for the mills give them their versatility and ease of operation. Selsyns on the screwdown mechanism indicate the roll opening. Special wrap counters on the reels show how many turns have been taken as the strip is coiled. An x-ray gage mounted on the mill measures thickness of the strip. Solenoids control mandrel expansion, pinch roll raising and lowering and side guard adjustment.

Both mills are serviced by a dual coolant system which can feed two different kinds of mineral coolant to the nonferrous strip. It is possible to put either coolant on either mill, or to put both mills on the same coolant. The system is interlocked through a series of valves, so the coolants can not be mixed.

**Other Equipment**—In addition to the two mills, American Brass has installed two new strip slitting lines and six stations with two bell annealing units.

The entire mill is protected by a carbon dioxide fire protection system built by Blaw-Knox's Sprinkler Division.

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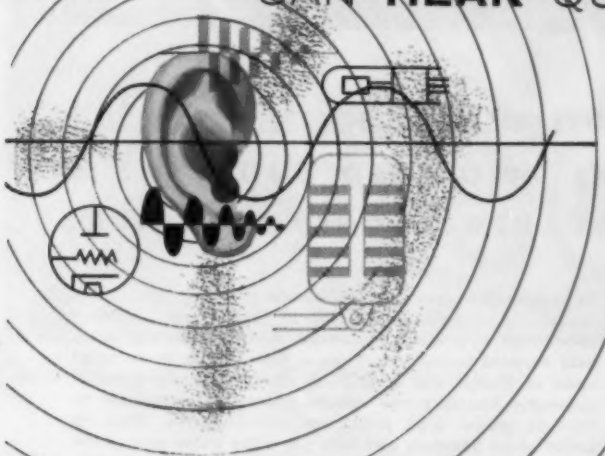

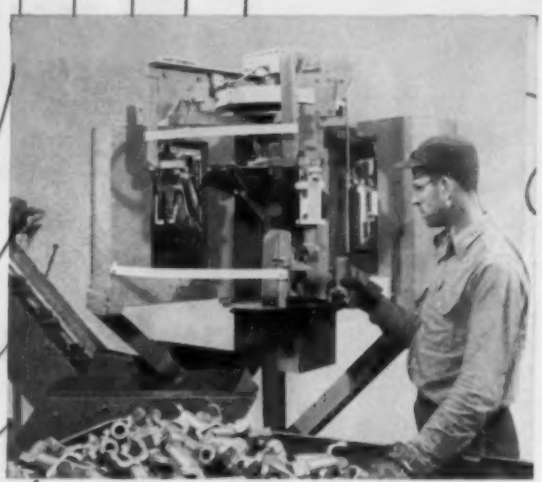

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**new sonic testing mechanism retains or rejects a casting depending on its sound waves**

In their search for a positive method of inspecting critical high-stressed castings, Central Foundry engineers developed a machine (Pat. Applied For) based on a fact known to foundrymen for generations—when a casting is struck it will not give off a clear ringing tone if it is faulty. Central Foundry's electronic listening unit automatically distinguishes between the vibrations of good and faulty castings, and sorts them accordingly. This sonic tester is considerably faster and more accurate than visual inspection, and is suited to high production operation. And, most important of all, it eliminates the factor of human error.

Through its constant research, and its quick, large-scale application of that research to day-to-day operations, Central Foundry Division is continually able to offer new services to industry. For example, the new shell casting process that produces parts of much closer dimensional tolerance has been applied on a wide basis by Central Foundry. ArmaSteel, the modern casting material that possesses many of the physical characteristics of carbon steel forgings, is an exclusive Central Foundry material. To achieve better casting design and molding techniques, in the development stages, a new atomic camera that sees through castings with gamma rays is in operation here. And now sonic testing provides a further aid to improving products.

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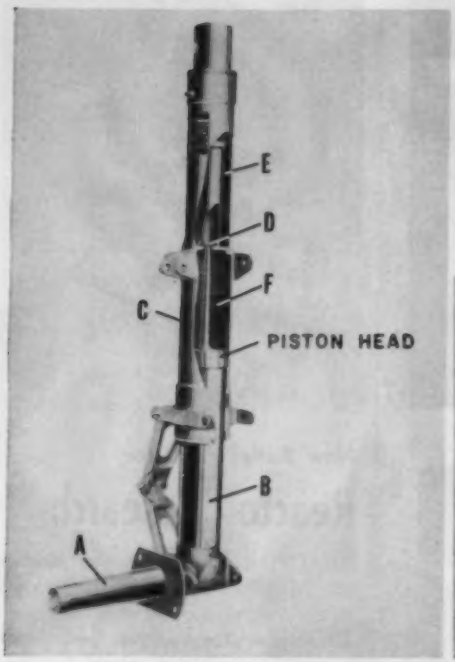


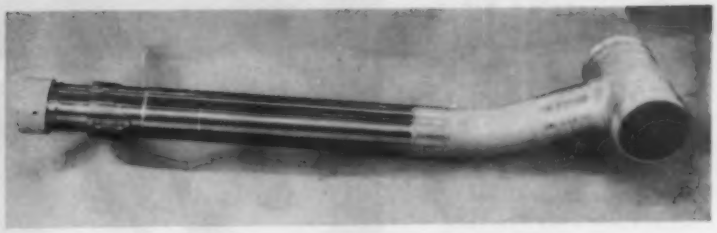

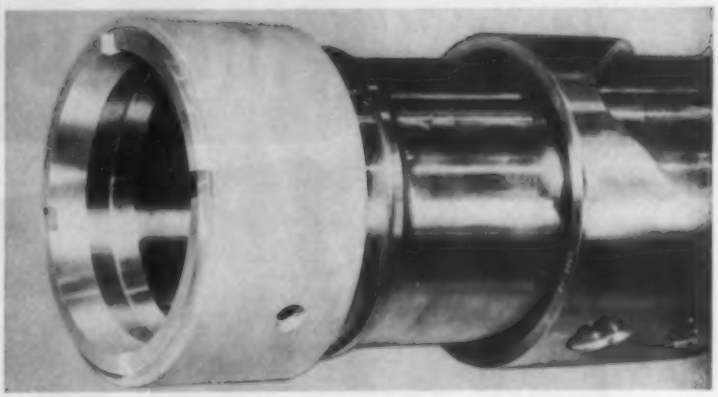

Auto shock absorbers of the airplane type work like this aircraft landing strut. Upon impact, wheel acts on axle "A", forcing piston "B" upward into cylinder "C". Fluid flows through orifice "D" into separate air-loaded chamber "E", permitting cylinder "B" to move slowly into cylinder "C". "F" is a tapered pin metering device—the farther "B" is forced upward, the smaller the orifice. Shown also are the dismantled piston and a close-up of the head

# Lighter Hydraulic Pistons

IMPACT plastics molded over aluminum form the hydraulic piston heads in the latest aircraft landing gear. Plastic acts as a permanent piston ring, prevents fluid leaks from the hydraulic system and eliminates seizing common with metal-to-metal contacts.

With the shortage of metals, the use of plastics for conservation assumes new importance. Where strength cannot be sacrificed, the technique developed by Synthane Corp., Oaks, Pa., should have many applications: Bond a thermosetting, laminated plastic to metal (in this case, aluminum). Most hydraulic equipment contains pistons, cylinders, spool valves, etc., that require oil-resistant materials which retain dimensional stability over a wide range of temperatures.

Aircraft landing gear use a strut that absorbs the shock of landings. One made by the Cleveland Pneumatic Tool Co., Cleveland, uses air and oil in a simple arrangement of two telescoping cylinders. As the landing gear contacts the ground, the upward thrust forces oil through a small orifice from the lower cylinder into the upper, which contains an air chamber. Shock absorbing struts are made in diameters from 3 in. for small planes up to 10 in. for the largest.

**Bonding**—To bond plastic to aluminum successfully, the outside or mating surface of the metal must be knurled. The knurled cylinder is carefully wrapped with a cotton fabric impregnated with a thermosetting plastic. The fabric is heated and partially set during wrapping.

The cylinder is oven cured to complete the setting process, then machined to the required dimensions.

During curing, or setting, the plastic in the cloth wrapping becomes soft and penetrates the crevices of the knurling. The bond is said to be so tight and complete that it resembles a weld.

**Strength Ratio** — An important property of the plastic-aluminum piston is a high strength-to-weight ratio. The piston resists the slight corrosive action of the hydraulic fluid and prevents scoring. It has won wide-spread acceptance.

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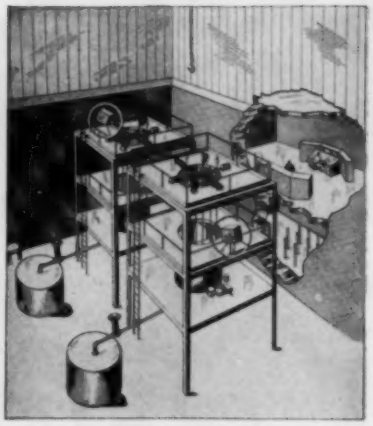

*New Battelle lab for . . .*

## Reactor Research

REACTOR ROOM in the sketch of Battelle Memorial Institute's newly completed reactor development laboratory shows two "critical assembly" mock-ups for experiments to determine how final power reactor cores should be designed and constructed.

Closed-circuit television cameras (circled above) allow researchers to view reactor cores while experiments are being performed. Cutaway section shows the shielded control room. A vault under the control room is used to store fissionable material. Protective, 2-ft-thick concrete walls surround the reactor room.

**Power Plants** — Battelle researchers will use the new facility to study design problems of reactors for electrical power plants and atomic engines for air, water and land craft.

The laboratory's reactor room will provide enough space for mocking-up both solid-fuel and liquid-fuel reactor cores. Ample clearance is provided so solid-fuel cores can be built with either vertical or horizontal control and regulating rods.

**Other Facilities** — The reactor development laboratory is the second major unit in Battelle's Atomic Energy Center. The first unit, a hot-cell lab, was put in operation last September. It is being used to study the effects of radiation on reactor construction materials and in other studies requiring handling of highly radioactive substances.

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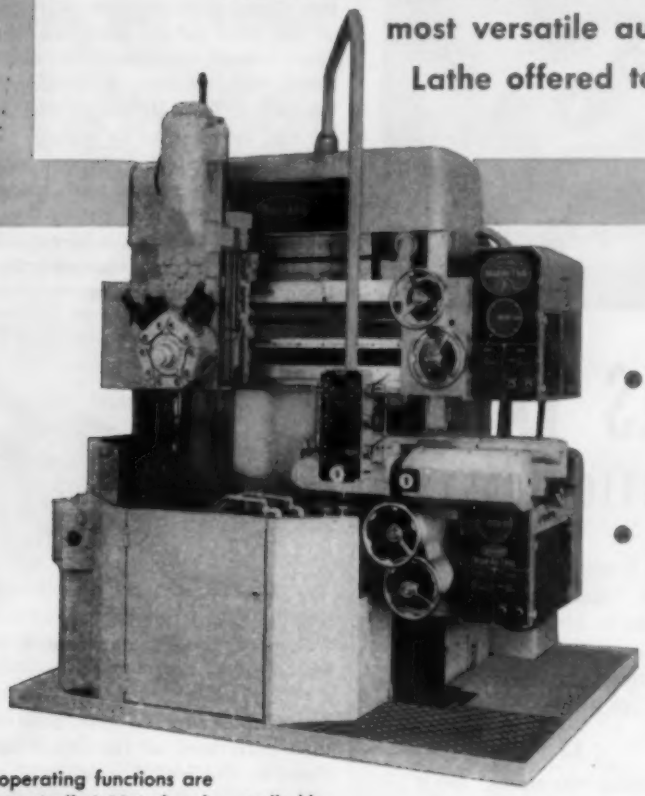

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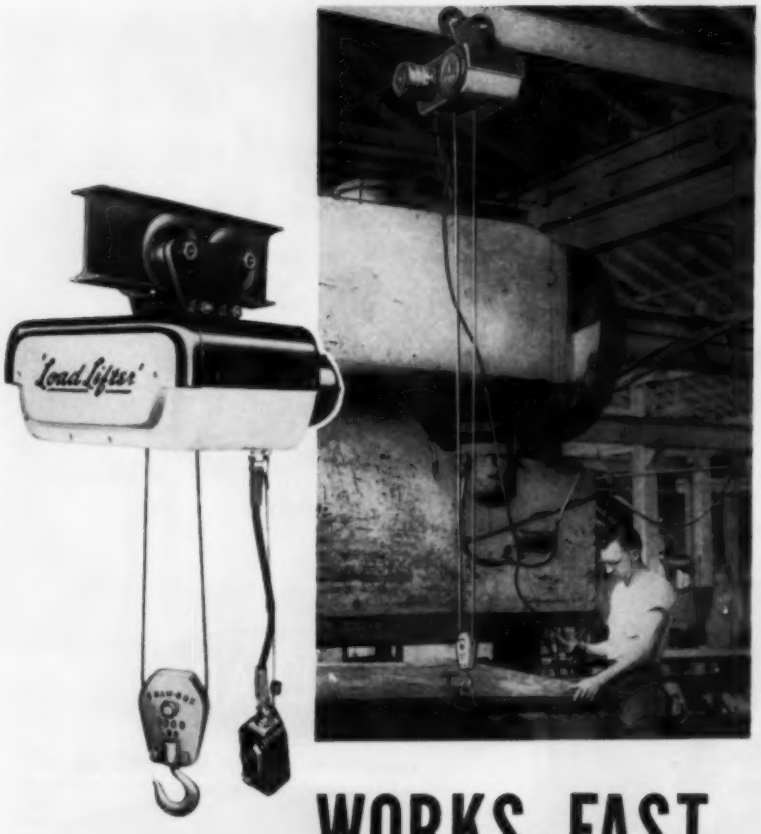


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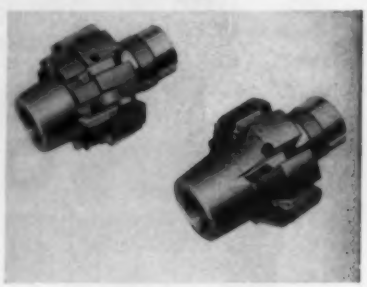

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Multiple cuts at one pass are also performed at two other locations in the nickel, cast iron, cylinder head—the air start check valve hole and the spray valve hole. These are machined in the same way as the valve openings—rough, semifinish, finish and chamfer.

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The cutters hold the bits with a fast, hand-detachable Continental standard drive. A single bit can be replaced by loosening the socket head screw, then re-aligning.

## Handles the Long Ones

Pittsburgh Commercial Heat Treating Co., Pittsburgh, has installed a vertical heat treating furnace that will handle parts 10 ft 8 in. long. The furnace chamber is 45 in. in diameter; maximum temperature is 1850° F. An adjacent tempering furnace of the same dimensions also is provided. The vertical furnace is stationary; quench tanks are moved under it and parts lowered into them. To load the furnace, parts are put on a movable car and pulled upward into the retort

## Tape for Laminating Metal

A new, transparent, double-faced "Mylar" tape can be used for laminating dissimilar or like metals where paper or cloth backings would be undesirable.

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Designated Permacel 94, the tape is backed with a 1-mil "Mylar" film and uses a rubber-base, pressure-sensitive heat curing adhesive. The tape is interlined with a 2-mil "Mylar" film.

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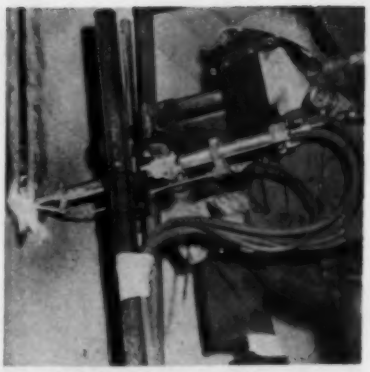

Blowpipe cuts concrete . . .

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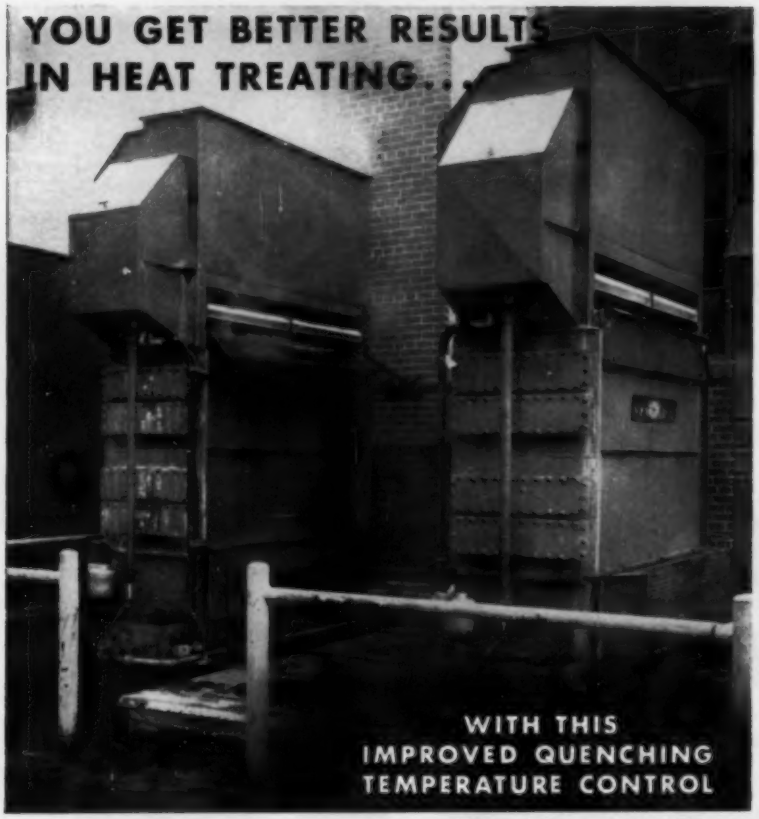


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# Magnesium Box

**Lighter truck boxes mean more payload. Cutting the tare with light metals is a way around gross axle weight limitations**

FIFTY PER CENT lighter truck body boxes are possible through the use of magnesium, according to the Dow Chemical Co. A 12-ft-long, refrigerator truck box made entirely with the lightweight material weighs only 1800 lb, compared with 3800 lb for conventional construction.

**Construction** — The body uses the thick sheet (monocoque) principle which eliminates the vertical side posts used in conventional construction. Because magnesium is so light, thicker sheets can be used —the metal is rigid enough without internal supporting members and offers better protection for the insulation.

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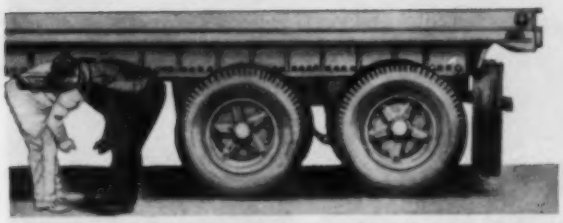
Without sideposts to interfere, insulation panels are more easily installed. The only fitting required is around doors and wheelhousings.

**Insulation** — Insulating panels are made from Styrofoam (expanded polystyrene) bonded on one side with plywood. The inside face of each panel is surfaced with polyester impregnated fiber glass.

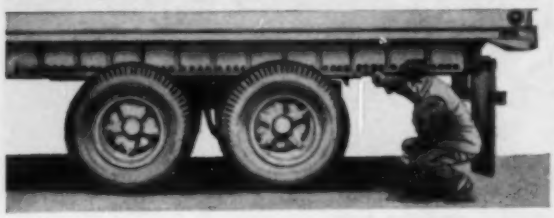
This body is one of several being built by the National Light Metals and Plastics Corp., Lansing, Mich., for the Tranter Mfg. Co. of that city. The firm is using the bodies to test truck refrigeration equipment.

Today, with greater emphasis being put on weight limits by state road commissions, more attention is being given to lighter metals by the body builders.

# Wrought Everdur* Cuts Cost in Half



**THE TRAILMOBILE SHIFTABLE TANDEM**—Truckers often lose time and money in shifting trailer cargo, changing tractors, or cutting payload to meet legal axle-weight requirements. Now, however, they can balance any load in just five minutes by moving the Shiftable Tandem Axle Assembly made by Trailmobile Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio. The axle assembly slides forward or backward, as needed, along a stainless steel rail on four shoes of wrought Everdur. It can move 66 inches and be locked at 3-inch intervals by locking rods through holes in the rail.



**EVERDUR CAN TAKE THE LOADS AND SPLASH**—One of the shoes of wrought Everdur installed in the Shiftable Tandem frame. An Alemite fitting in center hole and oil grooves provide lubrication. The Everdur shoes carry normal tandem loads of 32,000 pounds day and night, and slide freely under this pressure. Resistance to corrosion is another reason why Everdur was selected, for unlike the trailer's cargo, the Everdur shoes are exposed to road splash of varied mixtures.

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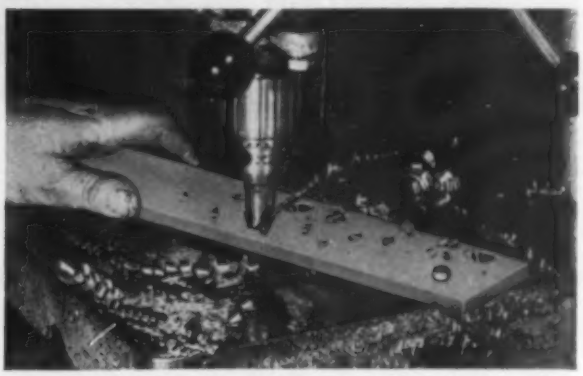
**HOW WROUGHT EVERDUR CUT MATERIAL COSTS**—Trailmobile first tried high-tin bronze castings for the shoes on which the assembly slides. But rejects for porosity and warpage in the thin cast section were a costly problem—and all surfaces had to be finish-machined. The wrought Everdur bar stock suggested by Anaconda's technical experts has surfaces satisfactory as delivered—ready for drilling holes (shown above).



**HOW WROUGHT EVERDUR CUT LABOR COSTS**—The castings formerly used were not uniform. Hard spots made surface machining difficult and expensive. The entire operation was unnecessary with wrought Everdur bar stock—reducing labor cost by about 50 per cent. (Above) Countersinking holes for screw fastenings.

**WROUGHT EVERDUR IS READILY MACHINABLE**—Though tough and dense, wrought Everdur is uniform and poses no special problems in machining. Oil grooves are shown being milled in the shoes.

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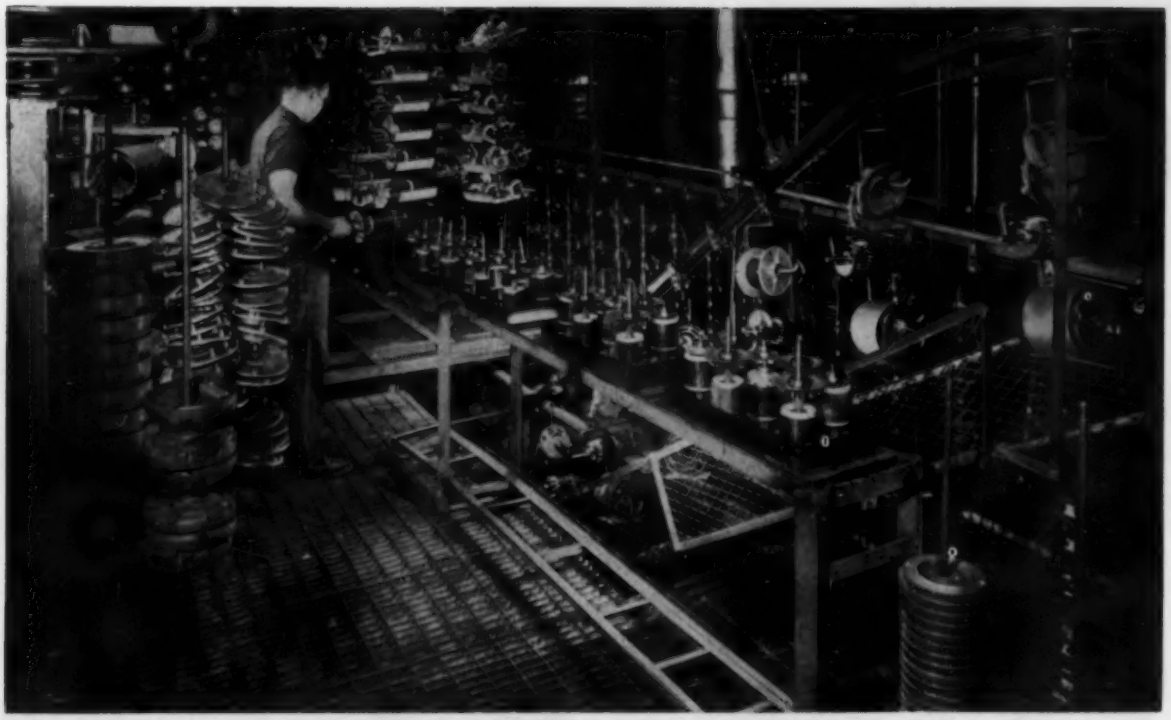


Nerve center of the conveyor system: The dispatcher's station where conveyors from three production lines (left) meet the conveyor going to final assembly (right). The dispatcher transfers matched parts from the production conveyors to the final assembly conveyor

# Doubled Production Rides on Cables

PRODUCTIVE capacity doubled without an inch of increase in floor space. You can see this rabbit-out-of-the-hat trick at the Electric Motor Division plant of A. O. Smith Corp., Tipp City, O.

In accomplishing it, the company believes it has achieved the greatest dollar volume production per square foot of any company in the small motor business (¼ to 3 hp). A good part of the reason hangs overhead: 1¼-miles of cable and chain conveyors in 90,000 sq ft.

**Long Pull** — Lightweight cable conveyors, made by the Tipp Mfg. Co. in Tipp City, comprise about 85 per cent of the overhead installation. Originally, they were installed because of their suitability for the light loads encountered in manufacturing small motors. In the last five years, they have been revamped and extended frequently, often over weekends, without interrupting production the following week.

Today, the plant uses only one lift truck. Parts and materials move on conveyors from the moment they arrive at the plant door until they emerge as finished motors at the shipping dock. Overhead chain conveyors, also furnished by Tipp, are used for extremely heavy loads.

**Two Rules**—The company follows two principles in making such extensive use of overhead cable conveyors:

1. Manufacturing processes are planned first and laid out in proper sequence with three-dimensional models. Conveyors are installed to give maximum assistance both in moving parts and materials along production lines and from one line to another.

2. When a part is removed from a conveyor, it is always placed (after work has been done on it), either on another line or on a different hook on the same line.

Operators or inspectors transfer parts from one conveyor to another to keep indirect costs down.

**Flow**—Each cable conveyor loop moves continuously, at some point passing near another loop. Production operations are performed either within a conveyor circuit or in the area between two adjacent loops. Parts and materials removed for such operations as stamping, winding, painting, baking and testing go back on conveyors after each operation.

As materials and parts come into the unloading area at one end of the building, they move by overhead conveyors down three separate lines: 1. Rotor and shaft assembly. 2. Frame stator and coil assembly. 3. End frame production.

**Jam Up** — At the end of each line, where components are ready

for final assembly, there was a serious bottleneck. "We knew that up to this point, the overhead conveyors were doing a good job for us," says S. Dwight Mills, assistant division manager. "But there wasn't the proper connection between the production line conveyors and those moving along the final assembly line. Except for frame stators and coils, parts were delivered to the assembly line in four-wheeled carts.

"There was congestion at the head of the line, where dispatchers worked out of the carts. Expediters were running all over the place, trying to make rotors, stators, and end frames come together in proper numbers for assembly. All too often, parts would be delayed or misplaced."

**Nerve Center**—The key to the solution turned out to be a dispatching point, nerve center of the whole installation. A single dispatcher, stationed on a mezzanine at the converging point of conveyors from the three separate production lines, performs a function formerly requiring up to 15 men.

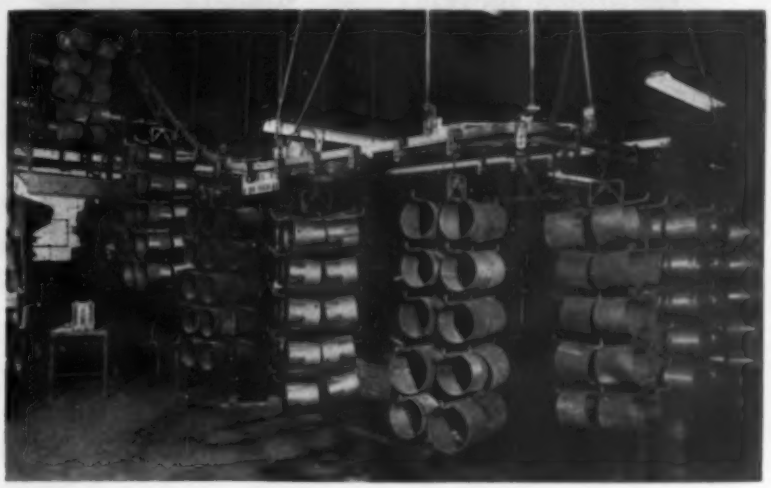
Working from production control schedules and parts lists, he removes a rotor shaft assembly, a frame stator and coil assembly and two end frames from the incoming conveyors.

He hangs this matching set of components on three-tiered hangers suspended from an overhead cable conveyor that moves past him to the final assembly line. As further insurance that proper parts will be dispatched, basic parts are stamped with numbers.

Purchased parts and subassemblies are picked up when the conveyor, on its way to final assembly, flows through a stockroom on the main floor. A worker on final assembly merely removes components from a conveyor hanger, and he has the essential elements for putting together a finished motor. As a further refinement, an automatic unloader is under test for removing hangers from the conveyor at the assembly stations.

**More Room**—In one area, 4000 sq ft were formerly needed for machining frame stator and coil assemblies. Parts moved through it on floor-mounted roller conveyors. When overhead cable conveyors were installed, the area needed for machining was immediately reduced to 2400 sq ft.

Production between conveyor loops: Parts removed from one conveyor go on another after work is performed on them. Virtually all storage is in motion



Visual inventory: When conveyors become fully loaded (as here) it is easy to see where production needs cutting back and where it needs stepping up

Efficiency of handling was improved through a tiered hook arrangement on the conveyors. Each machinist takes parts from an assigned hook in the tiers. After machining the parts, he places them on the next lower hook.

About 6000 sq ft of floor space was needed for temporary storage of the basic motor assemblies. The components now move around on continuous overhead conveyors, serving the same storage purpose, until they are needed for final assembly. The floor space saved is used for manufacturing.

**Close Check**—An extremely important function of the conveyors is to control work in process by providing visual inventory. If all the hooks going to the final assembly line are filled, assembly operations can go on for 6 hours, even if no more parts are made.

To make sure that assembly work never falters, and to keep part production in balance with assembly, a close watch is kept on the conveyors coming to the dispatcher from the three main production lines. If stators are being turned out faster than they go to final assembly, production can be cut back. If there are too many empty hangers coming from the stator production line, output is stepped up.

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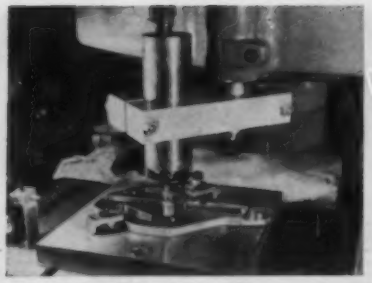

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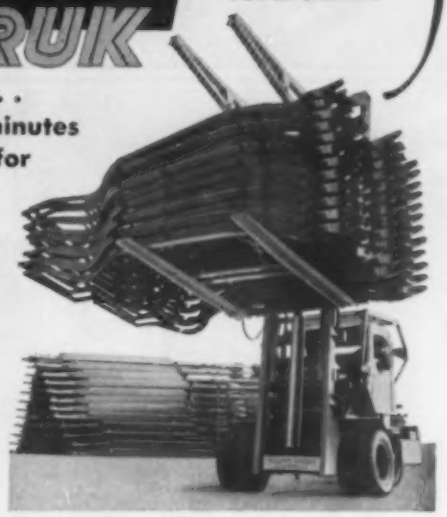

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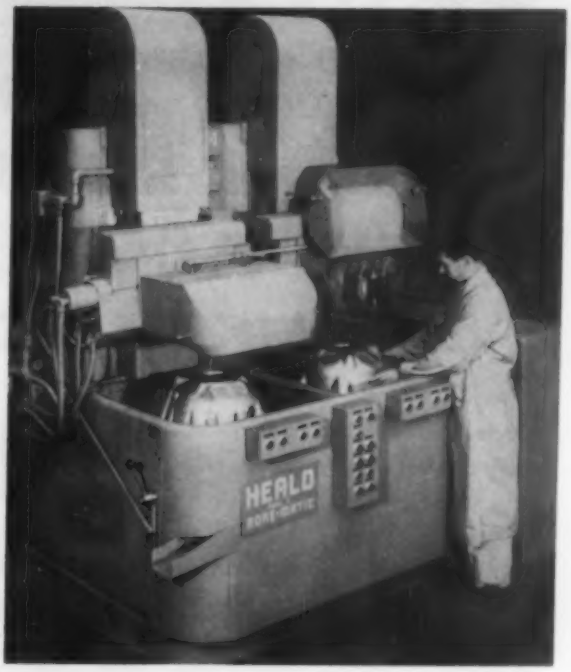


## Basic Roof Gives Longer Life in Open Hearths

Suspended, metal-cased basic brick roofs increase furnace availability by allowing more heats between repairs.

The flat suspended arch reflects radiant heat to the bath uniformly.

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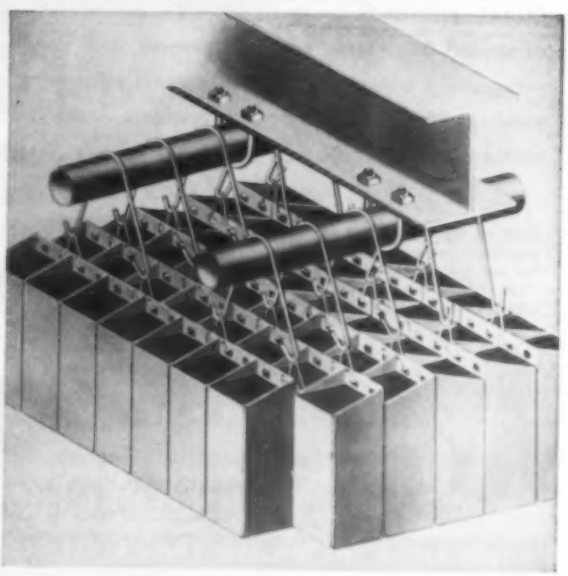

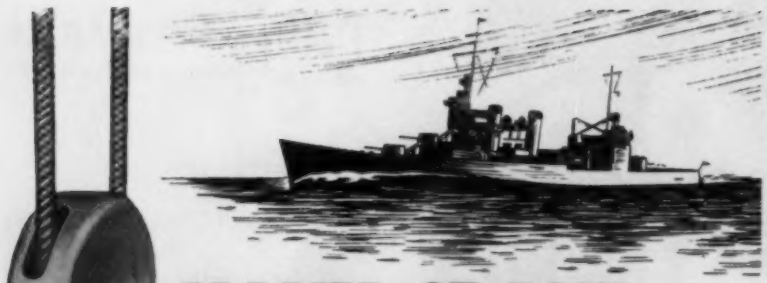

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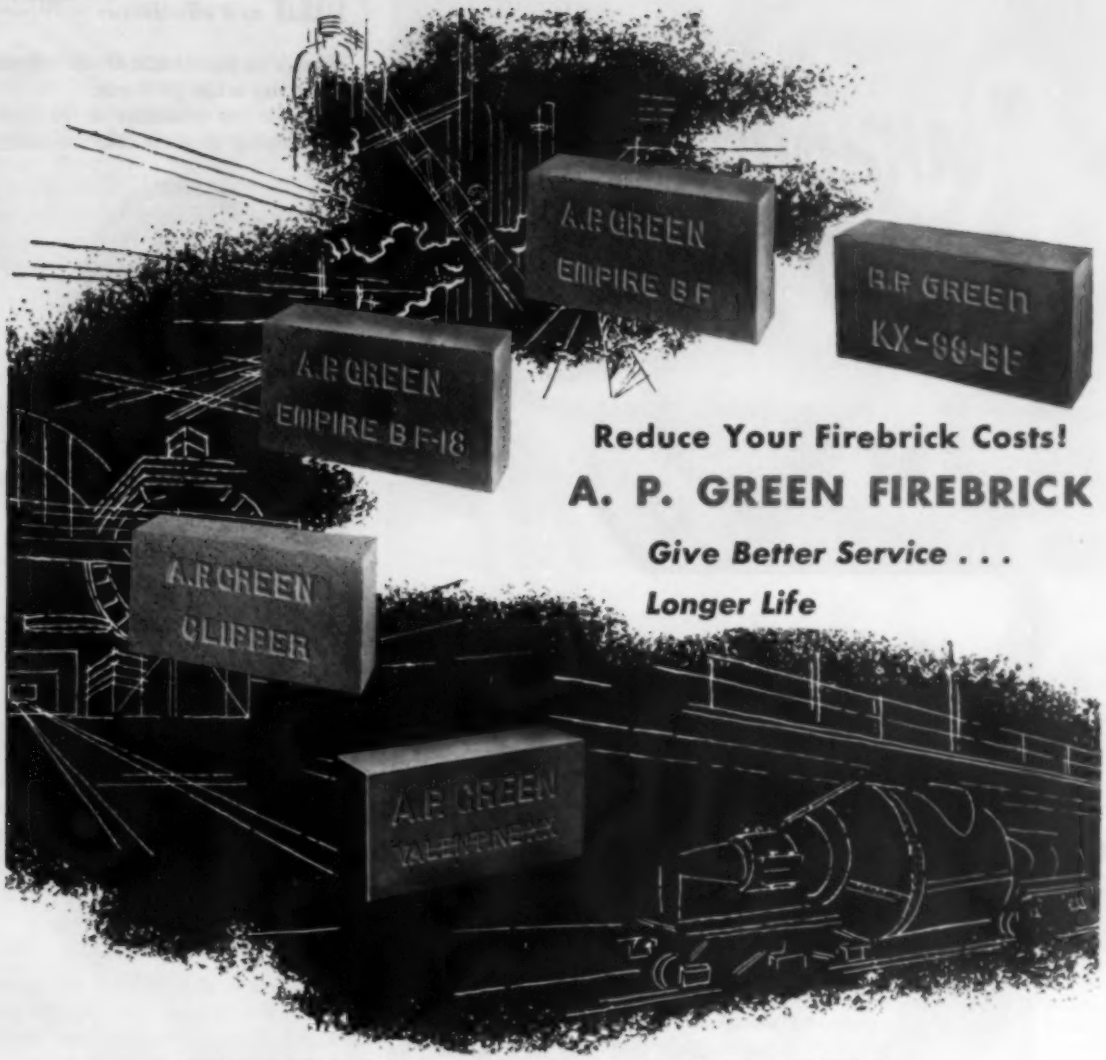


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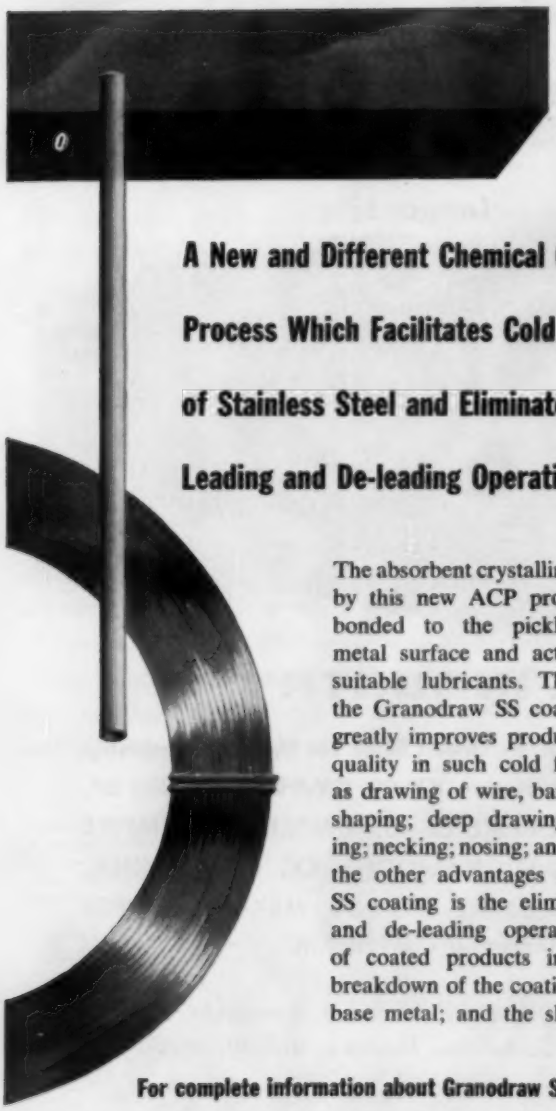

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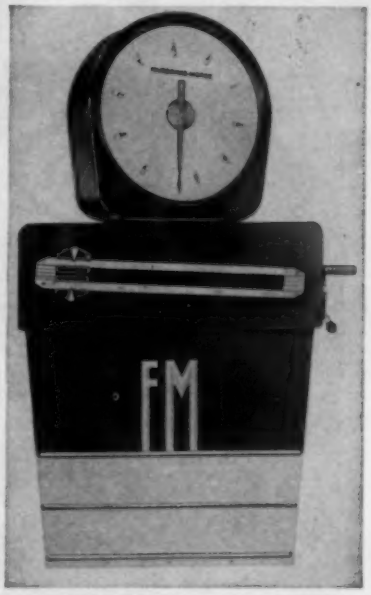


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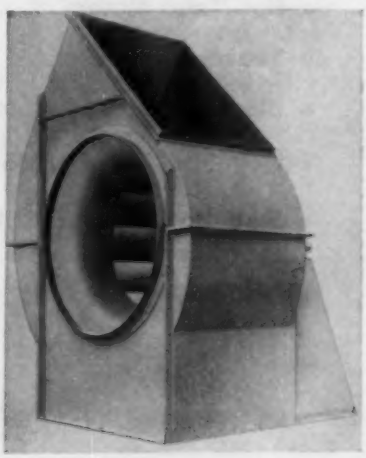

speeds. Both types come with direct or V-belt drives.

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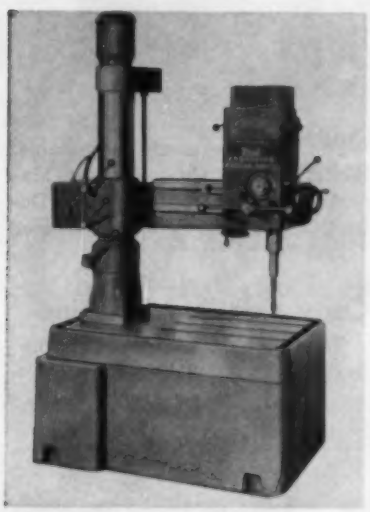
The column is flame hardened. An individual motor raises and lowers the 3-ft arm.

All operating parts of the self-contained transmission are sealed in oil. Gears are hardened and shafts are mounted on ball bearings.



Conveniently grouped controls are mounted on the transmission face panel and sides.

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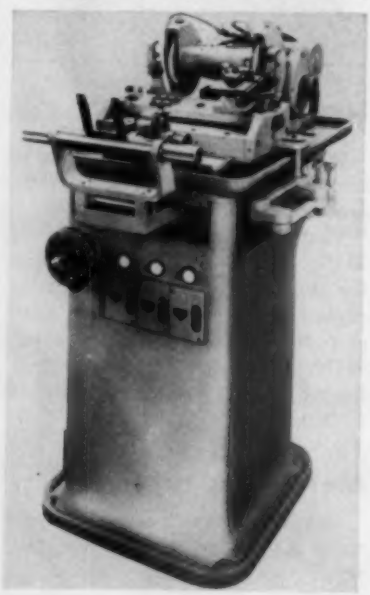
A ¾-in. stroke on this motorized Brinell machine eliminates anvil adjustment on pieces of about the same thickness.

Movement of the Brinell ball, as the load is applied, is slow to avoid any impact or overloading. The vertical opening is easily adjustable by turning a three-spoked elevating nut from a maximum 9 in. to zero. Throat depth is 6 in.

The load is easily adjustable. *Write*: Steel City Testing Machines Inc., 8817 Lyndon Ave., Detroit 38, Mich. *Phone*: Webster 3-3500

## Copy Grinding Machine

This machine can make two duplicate lathe tools, two form tools.



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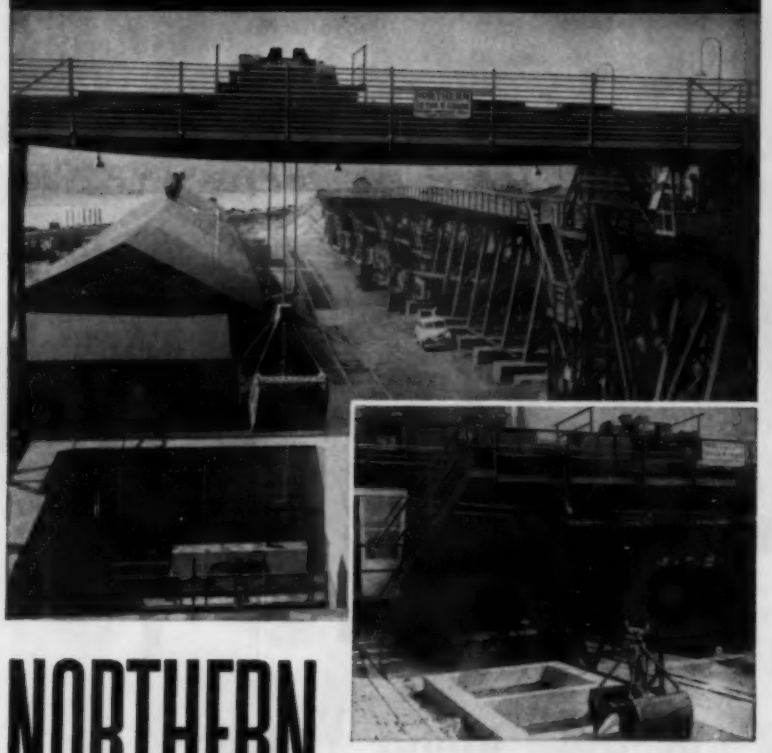

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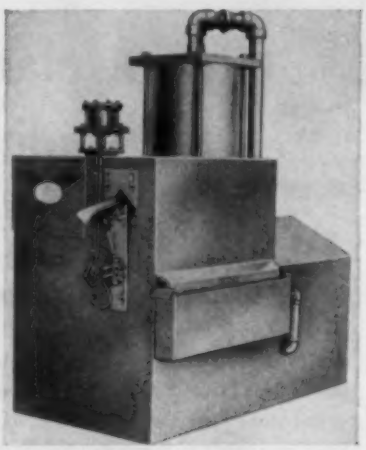
### Billet Descaler

A triple-nozzle water spray with 22 psi is used in this portable descaler. The self-contained unit needs only shop air for power.

The descaler is usually located



next to the hot forging press. Billets are inserted, and the water spray is released automatically. Production rate: 240 to 360 billets an hour for billets up to 6 in. in diameter. *Write*: Richards Co., 23828 Hollander, Dearborn, Mich. *Phone*: Logan 5-4471

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715 tons, four beam bridges, Spaulding turnpike, Dover, N. H., to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, through W. H. Hinman, Westbrook, Me.

2000 tons, municipal high school for the printing trade, Manhattan, New York, to Lehigh Structural Steel Co., Allentown, Pa.

1440 tons, five nose wing hangars, Elmendorf Air Base, Alaska, to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle; Baker-Ford Co., Bellingham, Wash., general contractor at $5,418,110.

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3500 tons, 49 intake ... power plant, St. Law... Manning, Maxwell & ... Heights, Mich., schedul... Inc., New York, eight ... gates for Massena, N. Y., intake ... 2; also schedule 3 covering the ma... and delivery of equipment; bids Nov. ... the New York State Power Authority.

180 tons, students union building, University of New Hampshire, Durham, N. H., to Groisser & Shlager Iron Works, Somerville, Mass.; J. A. Volpe Construction Co., Malden, Mass., general contractor.

100 tons, state school, Portland, Me., to Bancroft & Martin Rolling Mills Co., South Portland, Me.; Consolidated Constructions Inc., Portland, Me., general contractor.

2100 tons, superstructure, St. Lucie canal, Florida state turnpike, to Mount Vernon Bridge Co., Mt. Vernon, O.

1800 tons, four buildings, International Business Machines Corp., Owego, N. Y., to Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

1610 tons, state highway bridges, Southeast expressway, Boston-Milton, Mass., to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh; Savin Construction Co., East Hartford, Conn., general contractor (reported in STEEL, Nov. 21, as involving 1350 tons).

1450 tons, 14-story apartment, 136 E. 55th St., New York, through Emery Roth & Sons, to Harris Structural Steel Co., that city.

1300 tons, office building, Connecticut Mutual Life Co., Hartford, Conn., to Harris St...

3000 tons, office, 123 William St., New York, placed by Diesel Construction Co., with the Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

2250 tons, 82 transmission towers, Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Bayway, N. J., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

534 tons, 4-story branch, First National Bank, Portland, Oreg., to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle.

275 tons, warehouse, Rexall Drug Co., Boston, to Groisser & Shlager Iron Works, Somerville, Mass.

220 tons, state bridge, Union county, Pa., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

150 tons, Franklin National Bank building, Rockville Center, N. Y., through Niel Nielsen, general contractor, to Kurtz Iron Works, a Long Island, N. Y., fabricator.

150 tons, state bridge, Ulster county, N. Y., through the Pine Brook Construction Co. to the Klevin Engineering Co., New York.

375 tons, bleach plant ...

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140 tons, plant, ... Lenoir, N. C., to ... Inc., Bristol, Va...

137 tons, Idaho ... bridge, to Bethle... Corp., Seattle.

9000 tons, power pl... Edison Co., Atlan... ican Bridge Divi... Pittsburgh; also 20...

9000 tons, power pl... Co., Staten Island ... Bridge Division, U... burgh; also 200 ...

6930 tons, ten grade ... mile elevated viad... 303-01 and 304-01, ... Kievens Corp., Yo...

800 tons, municipal power plant, 74th St., New York, to Lehigh Structural Steel Co., Allentown, Pa.

450 tons, Boehm Junior High School, Falls Township, Pa., to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh.

425 tons, school, Mackworth Island, Falmouth, Me., to Bancroft & Martin Rolling Mills Co., South Portland, Me.; Consolidated Constructors Inc., Portland, Me., general contractor; 36 tons, reinforcing bars, to same shop.

5070 tons, office building, Union Dime Savings Bank, 6th Ave. and 40th St., New York, through George A. Fuller Co. to the Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

4580 tons, reconstruction, DeKalb avenue subway station, sections 1 and 2, Brooklyn, N. Y., through Poirier & McLane Corp., general contractor, to Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

1335 tons, seven grade crossings and Mill river bridge, Connecticut turnpike, Fairfield, ... Project 309-01, to Bethlehem Steel ... Pa.; Poirier & McLane ... general contractor.

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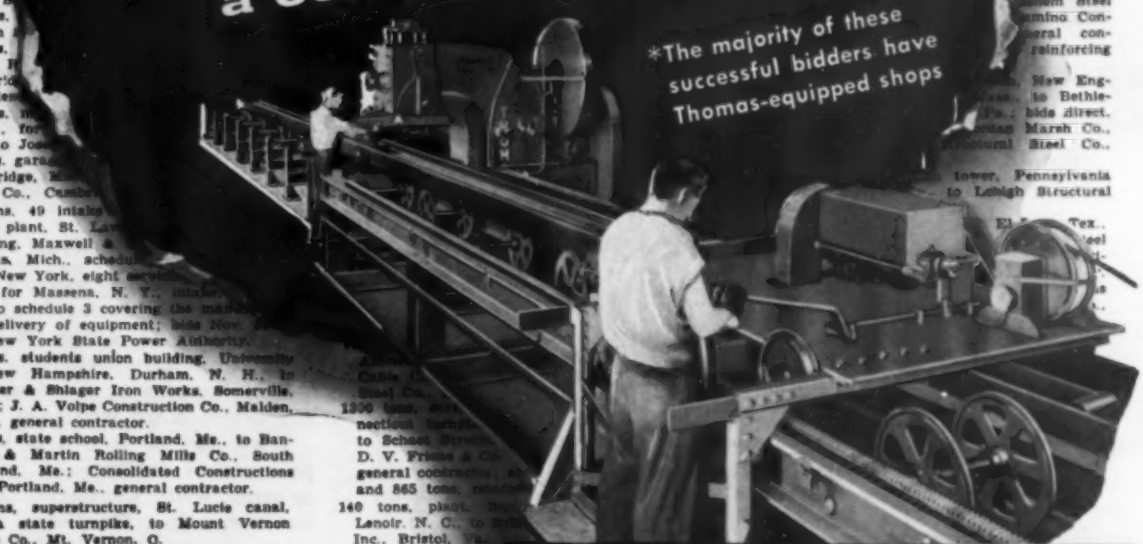

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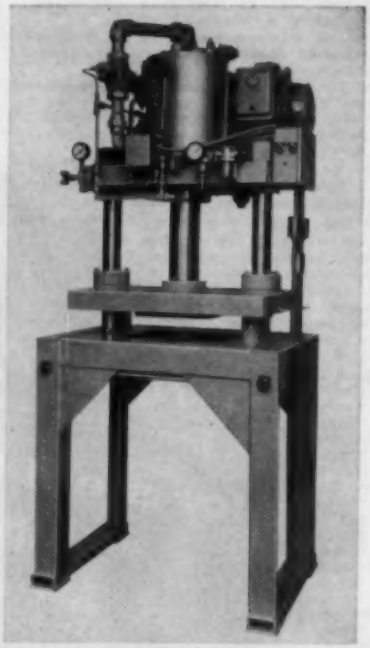

(600 ipm) and also for pressing speed (35 ipm). *Write*: Mohler Co., 3460 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles 39, Calif. *Phone*: Normandie 5-5223

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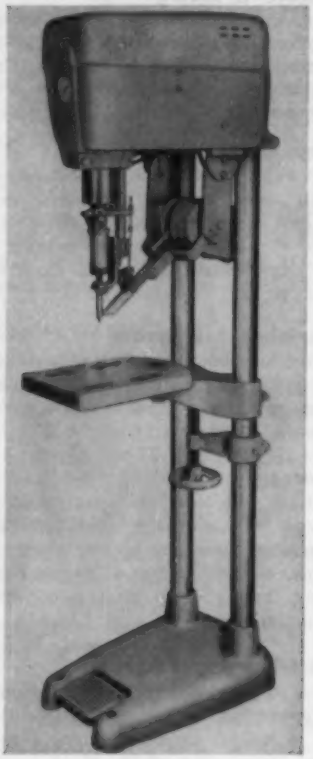

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### Refractory Stack

An insulated stack for furnaces, ovens, retorts and incinerators where flue gas temperatures do not exceed 1600°F is described in bulletin IT-18, 4 pages. Van-Packer Corp., Bettendorf, Iowa.

### Drum Gaging

A chart tells how to determine the amount of alcohol or solvent in a 55-gal drum by stick measurement. U. S. Industrial Chemicals Co., division of National Distillers Products Corp., 99 Park Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

### Cast Iron Repair

Case histories show how welding electrodes are used to repair cast iron—4 pages. Readers Service Section, International Nickel Co. Inc., 67 Wall St., New York 5, N. Y.

### Visible Grinding

A grinding method that lets the worker see through the wheel is described in a 4-page bulletin. Carl Hirschmann Co. Inc., 30 Park Ave., Manhasset, N. Y.

### Tap Chart

Twelve tables give tap tolerances, drill sizes, speeds, lubricants, rake angles and terminology. Data on a line of taps is given in catalog 8, 25 pages. Wood & Spencer Co., 1920 E. 61st St., Cleveland 3, O.

### Permanent Magnets

Information on selecting magnets is given in bulletin 5-R, 12 pages. Indiana Steel Products Co., Valparaiso, Ind.

### Hoses

Low, medium and high-pressure hoses for air, water, fuel, lube and hydraulic uses and special hoses are covered—catalog 200, 64 pages. Aeroquip Corp., 300 S. East Ave., Jackson, Mich.

### Self-Tapping Bushing

A 12-page bulletin describes a self-tapping insert that can be installed in a drilled or cored hole. Groov-Pin Corp., Ridgefield, N. J.

### Industrial Control Systems

A static control system, Cypak, is discussed in bulletin B-6584. Westinghouse Electric Corp., P. O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

### Rapid Reversing Motors

Construction of a motor capable of 200 idle reversals a minute is illustrated in bulletin 1800. Louis Allis Co., Milwaukee 7, Wis.

### Speed Reducers

Data for selecting speed reducers are included in bulletin 450, 52 pages. Farrel-Birmingham Co. Inc., Ansonia, Conn.

### Milling Machine

A 5-hp machine for milling small parts is described in bulletin C1-1, 8 pages. Sundstrand Machine Tool Co., 2531 11th St., Rockford, Ill.

### Heat Transfer

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ment are given in a 16-page bulletin, HE. Downingtown Iron Works Inc., Downingtown, Pa.

### Corrugated Boxes

How to ship economically using corrugated boxes is told in a 24-page booklet. Hinde & Dauch Paper Co., Sandusky, O.

### Stampings

Facilities for making stampings are described in bulletin Adv. 681, 16 pages. Pressed Steel Division, Republic Steel Corp., 6100 Truscon Ave., Cleveland 27, O.

### Collets

A collet selection guide for lathes, millers, grinders and fixtures is presented in bulletin 56, 4 pages. Hardinge Brothers Inc., Elmira, N. Y.

### Foundry Tools

Advantages of plastic patterns, match plates, core prints and core driers for dielectric baking are given in a 6-page bulletin. Marbelette Corp., 37-21 30th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

### Tooling

Use of bushings for sheet metal and laminate plastic drill templates is given in a 20-page bulletin. Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Co., 8924 Bellanca Ave., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

### Molybdenum Silicides

Refractory molybdenum silicides, their preparations, uses and properties are presented in bulletin Cdb-6, 8 pages. Fabrication techniques used to make molybdenum disilicide parts are given in bulletin CH-23, 2 pages. Dept. L, Climax Molybdenum Co., 500 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

### Vapor Spray Degreaser

Photographs and specifications of a degreaser that uses 30 per cent less solvent are given in bulletin OP2, 4 pages. Circo Equipment Co., 51 Terminal Ave., Clark (Rahway), N. J.

### Brazing Aluminum

Shop data and complete brazing information for engineers and designers are included in a 134-page book. Aluminum Co. of America, 774 Alcoa Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

### Marking Dies

Press-style steel dies and their use are described in a 44-page bulletin. Jas. H. Matthews & Co. Inc., 3942 Forbes St., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

### Steels

A readily welded alloy steel, T-1, with a yield strength of 90,000 psi and over is described in a booklet. Carbon and alloy steels for pressure vessels are compared in a 12-page bulletin. Lukens Steel Co., Coatesville, Pa.

### Belting Catalog

Information on power transmission and conveyor and elevator systems is presented in a 44-page catalog. C. R. Daniels Inc., Daniels, Md.

### Belt Conveyor Idler

A ball bearing idler for belt widths from 14 to 36 in. is presented in bulletin 2516, 6 pages. Dept. PR., Link-Belt Co., 307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 1, Ill.

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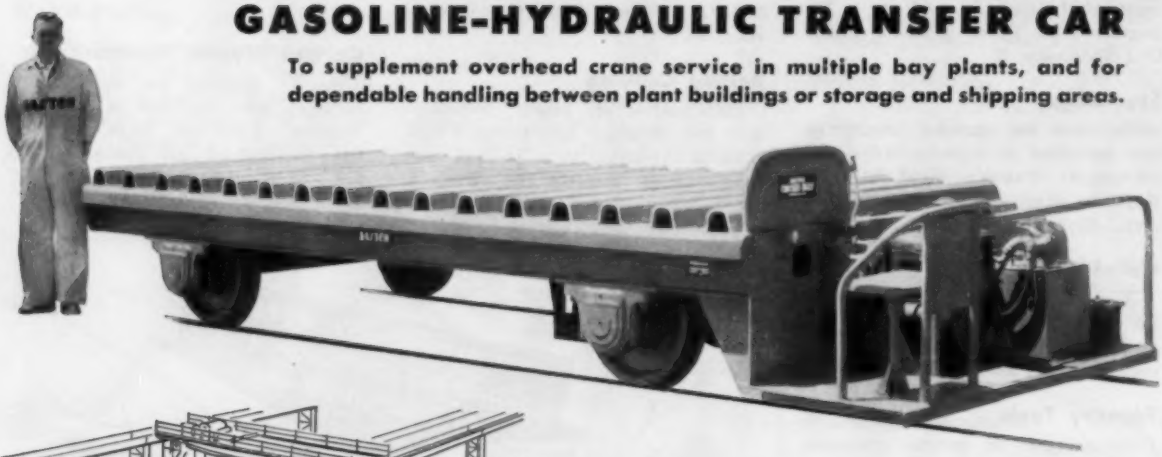

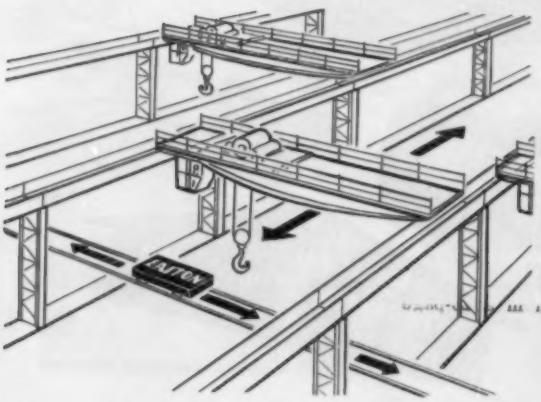

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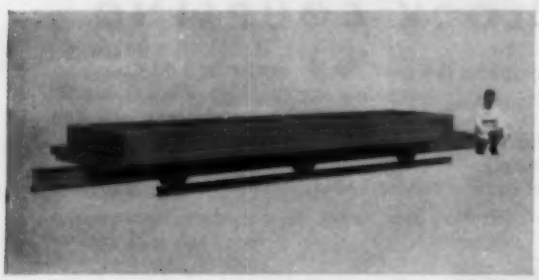

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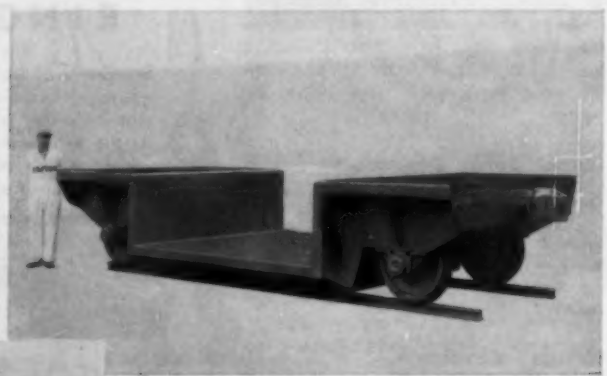

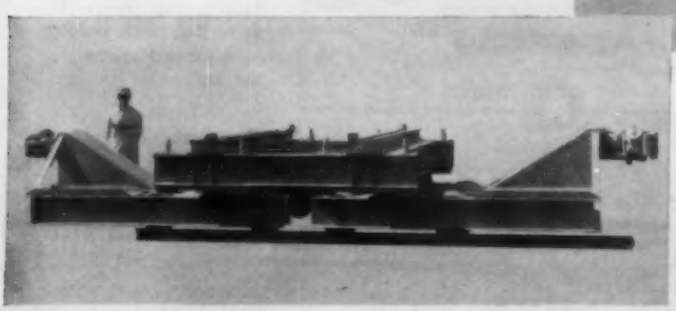

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March 5, 1956

# Market Outlook

**SPECULATION** about the probable impact which wage negotiations will have on steel demand and prices is mounting. Everyone, it appears, expects a substantial price hike if the union's demands are met next quarter.

Management, of course, doesn't know what the steelworkers will ask for. For that matter, it's doubtful if the union leaders themselves know now what their complete contract package will be. They're scheduled to meet in Chicago next week to survey the situation with a view to developing policy ideas. Formalization of their demands will come later.

**STIFF DEMANDS**—Management expects some pretty stiff demands, based on union leaders' statements and trade speculation over recent months. Union proposals are thought likely to include: A guaranteed annual wage, an hourly wage increase and premium rates for Saturday and Sunday work.

Any one of those provisions would send steel costs up. Until management knows what the union will ask for in full, any suggestion as to how much prices will rise this summer can be no more than a wild guess. All that can be said with any degree of certainty is that prices will quickly reflect any increase in labor costs.

**WORK STOPPAGE**—Whether there will be a strike also is a matter that rests in the lap of developments. There is no way of determining at this stage whether either side is in such fighting mood that it is ready to walk right into a work stoppage.

Steelmakers, of course, are likely to resist unduly stiff and unreasonable demands. It doesn't necessarily follow that an amicable settlement of the issues can't be worked out. Considering some previous conciliatory statements of union leadership, there is at least a 50-50 chance that a strike will be averted.

**DEMAND STIMULATED**—Uncertainty is stimulating some protective buying. Some consumers are ordering a little more tonnage than might be the case were the outlook clearer.

Further easing in pressure for steel shipments continues. This is mostly noticeable in sheets and bars, principally on automotive account. Auto production still is declining. Latest weekly figure shows passenger car output of 124,317, against 128,236 the week preceding.

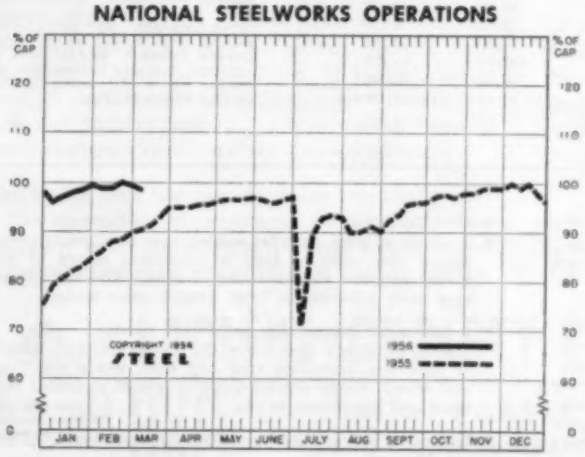
**ARREARAGES**—Despite the easing in automotive requirements, over-all demand appears as strong as ever. Greatest pressure is in plates, structural shapes and seamless pipe. Tin plate demand also is extremely strong. Requirements for hot-rolled bars are off from last year's peak, but demand still exceeds supply.

Producers will enter second quarter with substantial arrearages in all the major products, including sheets and strip.

**PRICES**—Scrap prices continue to slide. STEEL's composite on steelmaking grades last week eased to $48.33 from $49. The decline has amounted to $5 per ton over the last month. The finished steel composite is unchanged at $128.02. Pig iron prices are steady also.

**PRODUCTION**—The steel mills lowered ingot operations 1 point last week to 98.5 per cent of capacity. Part of the curtailment was due to furnace repairs.

## NATIONAL STEELWORKS OPERATIONS




## DISTRICT INGOT RATES

(Percentage of Capacity Engaged)

| | Week Ended Mar. 4 | Change | Same Week 1955 | Same Week 1954 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pittsburgh | 101 | — 2.5* | 90.5 | 81.5 |
| Chicago | 99 | 0* | 95 | 79.5 |
| Mid-Atlantic | 100 | — 1 | 87 | 69 |
| Youngstown | 97 | — 3 | 92 | 70 |
| Wheeling | 97 | — 2.5 | 96 | 82 |
| Cleveland | 101.5 | — 2* | 95.5 | 66 |
| Buffalo | 105 | 0 | 100 | 63.5 |
| Birmingham | 95 | 0 | 86.5 | 80 |
| New England | 75 | 0 | 80 | 65 |
| Cincinnati | 97 | 0 | 85.5 | 72.5 |
| St. Louis | 106 | 0 | 96 | 43.5 |
| Detroit | 102 | — 0.5 | 88 | 63.5 |
| Western | 108 | 0 | 94 | 80.5 |
| National Rate | 98.5 | — 1 | 90.5 | 70 |

## INGOT PRODUCTION‡

| | Week Ended Mar. 4 | Week Ago | Month Ago | Year Ago |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| INDEX (1947-1949=100) | 150.8† | 151.5 | 152.1 | 138.1 |
| NET TONS (In thousands) | 2,422† | 2,433 | 2,444 | 2,218 |

*Change from preceding week's revised rate. †Estimated. ‡Amer. Iron & Steel Institute. Weekly capacity (net tons): 2,461,893 in 1956; 2,413,278 in 1955; 2,384,549 in 1954.

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# Price Indexes and Composites

### FINISHED STEEL, Price Index (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

| | Feb. 28 1956 | Feb. 21 1956 | Month Ago | Feb. Average |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (1947-1949=100) | 157.1 | 157.1 | 157.0 | 157.1 |

### AVERAGE PRICES OF STEEL (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

Week Ended Feb. 28

Prices include mill base prices and typical extras and deductions. Units are 100 lb except where otherwise noted in parentheses. For complete description of the following products and extras and deductions applicable to them write to STEEL.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rails, Standard, No. 1 | $4.800 | Sheets, Electrical | $10.175 |
| Rails, Light, 40 lb | 6.217 | Strip, C.R., Carbon | 8.243 |
| Tie Plates | 5.625 | Strip, C.R., Stainless, 403 (lb) | 0.444 |
| Axles, Railway | 8.350 | Strip, H.R., Carbon | 5.606 |
| Wheels, Freight Car, 33 in. (per wheel) | 52.50 | Pipe, Black, Buttweld (100 ft) | 16.997 |
| Plates, Carbon | 5.200 | Pipe, Galv., Buttweld (100 ft) | 21.137 |
| Structural Shapes | 4.867 | Pipe, Line (100 ft) | 167.250 |
| Bars, Tool Steel, Carbon (lb) | 0.460 | Casing, Oil Well, Carbon (100 ft) | 165.120 |
| Bars, Tool Steel Alloy, Oil Hardening Die (lb) | 0.560 | Casing, Oil Well, Alloy (100 ft) | 244.670 |
| Bars, Tool Steel, H. R., Alloy, High Speed W 4.75, Cr 4.5, V 2.1, Mo 5.5, C 0.60 (lb) | 1.185 | Tubes, Boiler (100 ft) | 39.470 |
| Bars, Tool Steel, H.R., Alloy, High Speed W-18, Cr 4, V 1 (lb) | 1.680 | Tubing, Mechanical, Carbon | 20.980 |
| Bars, H.R., Alloy | 9.425 | Tubing, Mechanical, Stainless, 304 (100 ft) | 178.897 |
| Bars, H.R., Stainless, 303 (lb) | 0.450 | Tin Plate, Hot-dipped, 1.25 lb | 8.933 |
| Bars, H.R., Carbon | 5.500 | Tin Plate, Electrolytic, 0.25 lb | 7.633 |
| Bars, Reinforcing | 5.313 | Black Plate, Canmaking Quality | 6.733 |
| Bars, C.F., Carbon | 8.800 | Wire Drawn, Carbon | 8.575 |
| Bars, C.F., Alloy | 12.275 | Wire, Drawn, Stainless 430 (lb) | 0.590 |
| Bars, C.F., Stainless, 302 (lb) | 0.475 | Bale ties (bundle) | 6.473 |
| Sheets, H.R., Carbon | 5.345 | Nails, Wire, 8d Common | 8.595 |
| Sheets, C.R., Carbon | 6.214 | Wire, Barbed (80-rod spool) | 7.847 |
| Sheets, Galvanized | 7.776 | Woven Wire Fence (20-rod roll) | 18.635 |
| Sheets, C.R., Stainless 302 (lb) | 0.588 | | |

### STEEL's FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX*

| | Feb. 29 1956 | Week Ago | Month Ago | Year Ago | 5-Yrs. Ago |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Index (1935-39 av.=100) | 209.10 | 209.10 | 209.10 | 194.53 | 171.92 |
| Index in cents per lb | 5.665 | 5.665 | 5.665 | 5.270 | 4.657 |

### STEEL's ARITHMETICAL PRICE COMPOSITES

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Finished Steel, NT* | $128.02† | $128.02† | $128.02† | $117.82 | $106.32 |
| No. 2 Fdry, Pig Iron, GT | 58.99 | 58.99 | 58.99 | 56.54 | 52.54 |
| Basic Pig Iron, GT | 58.49 | 58.49 | 58.49 | 56.04 | 52.16 |
| Malleable Pig Iron, GT | 59.77 | 59.77 | 59.77 | 57.27 | 53.27 |
| Steelmaking Scrap, GT | 48.17 | 48.33 | 50.50 | 37.33 | 44.00 |

*For explanation of weighted index see STEEL, Sept. 19, 1949, p. 54; of arithmetical price composite, STEEL, Sept. 1, 1952, p. 130.
†Revised

# Comparison of Prices

Comparative prices by districts, in cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Delivered prices based on nearest production point.

| FINISHED STEEL | Feb. 29 1956 | Week Ago | Month Ago | Year Ago | 5-Yrs. Ago |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bars, H.R., Pittsburgh | 4.65 | 4.65 | 4.65 | 4.30 | 3.70 |
| Bars, H.R., Chicago | 4.65 | 4.65 | 4.65 | 4.30 | 3.70 |
| Bars, H.R., deld. Philadelphia | 4.90 | 4.90 | 4.90 | 4.55 | 4.18 |
| Bars, C.F., Pittsburgh | 6.25* | 6.25* | 6.25* | 5.40 | 4.55 |
| Shapes, Std., Pittsburgh | 4.60 | 4.60 | 4.60 | 4.25 | 3.65 |
| Shapes, Std., Chicago | 4.60 | 4.60 | 4.60 | 4.25 | 3.65 |
| Shapes, deld., Philadelphia | 4.88 | 4.88 | 4.88 | 4.53 | 3.90 |
| Plates, Pittsburgh | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.225 | 3.70 |
| Plates, Chicago | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.225 | 3.70 |
| Plates, Coatesville, Pa. | 4.80 | 4.80 | 4.80 | 4.225 | 4.15 |
| Plates, Sparrows Point, Md. | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 4.225 | 3.70 |
| Plates, Claymont, Del. | 4.80 | 4.80 | 4.80 | 4.225 | 4.15 |
| Sheets, H.R., Pittsburgh | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.05 | 3.60-3.75 |
| Sheets, H.R., Chicago | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.05 | 3.60 |
| Sheets, C.R., Pittsburgh | 5.325 | 5.325 | 5.325 | 4.95 | 4.35 |
| Sheets, C.R., Chicago | 5.325 | 5.325 | 5.325 | 4.95 | 4.35 |
| Sheets, C.R., Detroit | 5.325-5.425 | 5.325-5.425 | 5.325-5.425 | 5.10 | 4.55 |
| Sheets, Galv., Pittsburgh | 5.85 | 5.85 | 5.85 | 5.45 | 4.60 |
| Strip, H.R., Pittsburgh | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.05 | 3.75-4.00 |
| Strip, H.R., Chicago | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.325 | 4.05 | 3.50 |
| Strip, C.R., Pittsburgh | 6.25 | 6.25 | 6.25 | 5.75 | 4.65-5.35 |
| Strip, C.R., Chicago | 6.25-6.35 | 6.25-6.35 | 6.25-6.35 | 5.85 | 4.90 |
| Strip, C.R., Detroit | 6.35 | 6.35 | 6.35 | 5.90 | 4.35-5.60 |
| Wire, Basic, Pittsburgh | 6.60 | 6.60 | 6.60 | 5.75 | 4.65-5.10 |
| Nails, Wire, Pittsburgh | 7.60 | 7.60 | 7.60 | 6.85 | 5.90-6.20 |
| Tin plate (1.50 lb), box, Pitts. | $9.45 | $9.45 | $9.45 | $9.05 | $8.70 |

*Including 0.35c for special quality.

| SEMIFINISHED STEEL | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Billets, Forging, Pitts. (NT) | $34.50 | $34.50 | $34.50 | $78.00 | $66.00 |
| Wire rods, $\frac{7}{32}$-$\frac{1}{2}$" Pitts. | 5.375 | 5.375 | 5.375 | 4.675 | 4.10-4.30 |

| PIG IRON, Gross Ton | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bessemer, Pitts. | $59.50 | $59.50 | $59.50 | $57.00 | $53.00 |
| Basic, Valley | 58.50 | 58.50 | 58.50 | 56.00 | 52.00 |
| Basic, deld. Phila. | 62.16 | 62.16 | 62.16 | 59.66 | 56.39 |
| No. 2 Fdry, Pitts. | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 56.50 | 52.50 |
| No. 2 Fdry, Chicago | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 56.50 | 52.50 |
| No. 2 Fdry, Valley | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 56.50 | 52.50 |
| No. 2 Fdry, deld. Phila. | 62.66 | 62.66 | 62.66 | 55.16 | 56.89 |
| No. 2 Fdry, Birm. | 55.00 | 55.00 | 55.00 | 52.88 | 48.88 |
| No. 2 Fdry (Birm.) deld. Cin. | 62.70 | 62.70 | 62.70 | 60.58 | 55.58 |
| Malleable, Valley | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 56.50 | 52.50 |
| Malleable, Chicago | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 56.50 | 52.50 |
| Ferromanganese, Duquesne | 205.00† | 205.00† | 205.00† | 190.00† | 188.00* |

†74-76% Mn, net ton. *75-82% Mn, gross ton, Etna, Pa.

| SCRAP, Gross Ton (including broker's commission) | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, Pitts. | $47.50 | $47.50 | $49.50 | $38.50 | $45.00 |
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, E. Pa. | 50.00 | 50.50 | 53.00 | 39.50 | 43.50 |
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, Chicago | 47.00 | 47.00 | 49.00 | 34.00 | 43.50 |
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, Valley | 52.50 | 52.50 | 54.50 | 37.50 | 45.00 |
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, Cleve. | 49.50 | 49.50 | 52.00 | 34.00 | 44.00 |
| No. 1 Heavy Melt, Buffalo | 46.50 | 46.50 | 47.50 | 32.50 | 44.00 |
| Rails, Rerolling, Chicago | 65.50 | 66.50 | 69.00 | 49.50 | 52.50 |
| No. 1 Cast, Chicago | 46.50 | 46.50 | 48.50 | 40.00 | 49.00 |

| COKE, Net Ton | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Beehive, Furn, Connlsvl. | $14.125 | $14.125 | $14.125 | $13.75 | $14.75 |
| Beehive, Fdry, Connlsvl. | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.75 | 17.50 |
| Oven, Fdry, Chicago | 27.00 | 27.00 | 27.00 | 24.50 | 21.00 |

# Daily Nonferrous Price Record

| | Price Feb. 29 | Last Change | Previous Price | Feb. Avg. | Jan. Avg. | Mar. 1955 Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Copper | 46.00-53.00 | Feb. 23, 1956 | 46.00-52.00 | 48.076 | 46.700 | 33.222 |
| Lead | 15.80 | Jan. 13, 1956 | 16.30 | 15.800 | 15.960 | 14.800 |
| Zinc | 13.50 | Jan. 6, 1956 | 13.00 | 13.500 | 13.440 | 11.500 |
| Tin | 101.75 | Feb. 29, 1956 | 102.125 | 100.908 | 105.067 | 91.176 |
| Nickel | 64.50 | Nov. 24, 1954 | 60.00 | 64.500 | 64.500 | 64.500 |
| Aluminum | 24.40 | Aug. 8, 1955 | 23.20-24.40 | 24.400 | 24.400 | 23.200 |
| Magnesium | 32.50 | Aug. 16, 1955 | 28.50 | 32.500 | 32.500 | 27.556 |

Quotations in cents per pound based on: COPPER, deld. Conn. Valley; LEAD, common grade, deld. St. Louis; ZINC, prime western, E. St. Louis; TIN, Straits, deld. New York; NICKEL, electrolytic cathodes, 99.9%, base size at refinery, unpacked; ALUMINUM, primary ingots, 99 + %, deld.; MAGNESIUM, 99.8%, Freeport, Tex.

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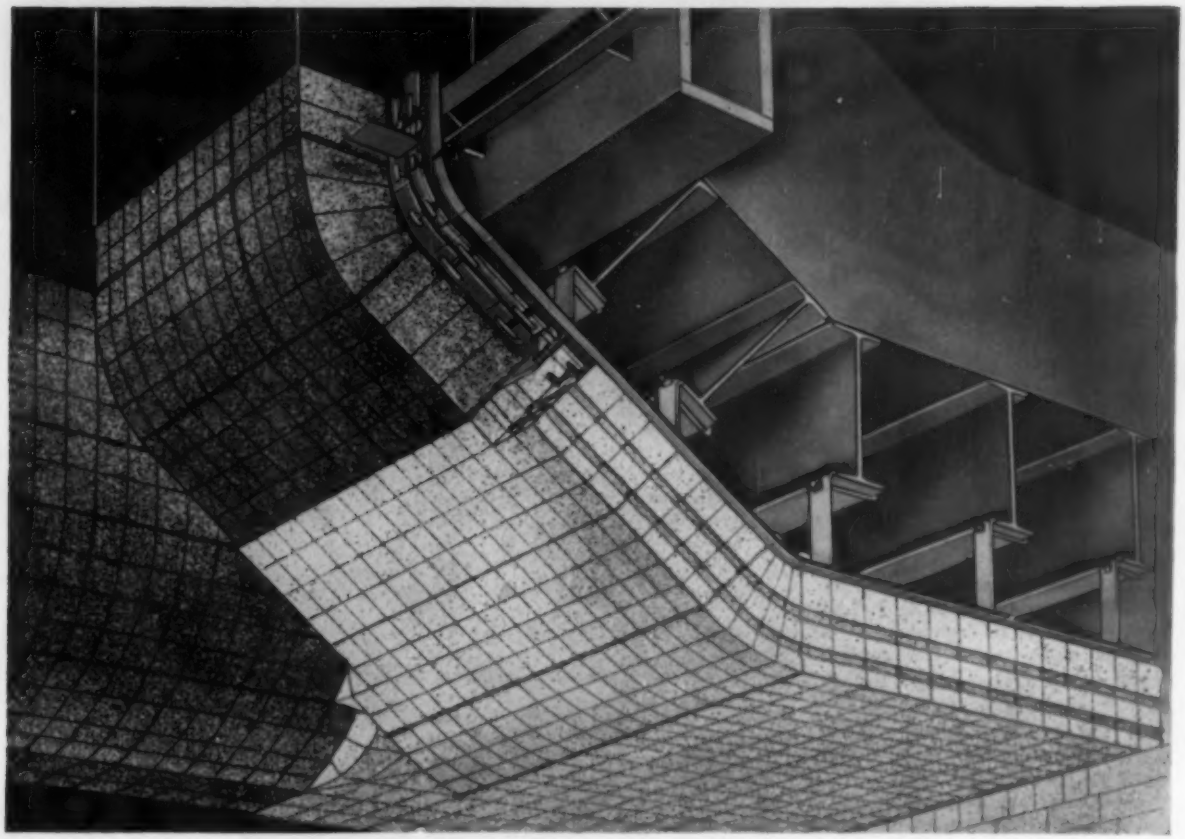

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# Nonferrous Metals

**The government's Cuban nickel facilities move toward maturity. National Lead Co. leases a Philadelphia plant to produce 14 million lb of metallic nickel annually**

Nonferrous Metal Prices, Pages 144 & 145

THE GOVERNMENT'S Nicaro nickel project has had more than its share of headlines. Congressmen, in a political year, have proclaimed graft, mismanagement, illegal use of funds.

Here are some of the little-printed facts: Nickel production has risen from 17.8 million lb in 1952 to 30.3 million lb in 1955. During the seven-month period from July 1, 1955, to Jan. 31, 1956, production exceeded an annual rate of 31 million lb. Unit production costs have been reduced, and the average recovery of nickel from ore has been materially improved during each calendar year. But, most important, the end product, originally produced as a finely powdered nickel oxide, is almost entirely converted to a sintered nickel oxide of higher nickel content.

**For Sale**—Nevertheless, the government wants out of the nickel business. On the eve of leaving the General Services Administration, Edmund F. Mansure, recently resigned administrator, stated that the agency "is firmly committed to make every possible effort to dispose of this (Nicaro) plant to private industry by sale or lease as soon as there is a possibility of getting a fair price."

The price question will be up in the air until present expansion work is completed and in operation long enough to compile cost figures. The program (berated by congressmen) is past the halfway mark and should be completed this fall. Capacity then will be about 50 million lb, or about 75 per cent over present capacity. Mr. Mansure estimated that the expansion will mean an increase in the market value of Nicaro's production from $18 million to $30 million.

**Scoop** — Apparently waiting for some of the clamor to die down, the General Services Administration has failed to announce that National Lead Co., with GSA guarantees, signed a contract (Feb. 1) to lease a Philadelphia plant to produce metallic nickel. After modifications and some revamping of equipment, the former stainless steelmaking facility will produce some 14 million lb of nickel ingot annually.

Meanwhile, nickel men are shaking their heads. They lament that it is rumored that the government take for military needs will be the largest on record. And the rumor persists that nickel is due for a price hike. Many will argue (including nickel producers) that there is nothing to be gained.

**STEEL's Metal Price Averages for Feb., 1956**

(Cents per lb)

| | |
|---|---|
| Electrolytic Copper, deld. Connecticut | 48.076 |
| Lead, St. Louis | 15.800 |
| Prime Western Zinc, E. St. Louis, Ill. | 13.500 |
| Straits Tin, New York | 100.908 |
| Primary Aluminum Ingots, deld. | 24.400 |
| Magnesium, Freeport, Tex. | 32.500 |
| Nickel, f.o.b. refinery | 64.500 |

## Tin Strike Threatens

Malayan tin miners have never gone out on strike, but new unions, promising better wages (and seeking new members) threatened to strike on Feb. 25. A meeting with the Malayan Mining Employers Association postponed a strike decision until Mar. 3. Early last week London tin prices soared as sellers went into the tight market to cover commitments. There is a growing feeling that the Malayan miners will follow their historical pattern and continue working. Followers of the tin market are hoping that this will be the last world disturbance to touch off a market skyrocket. (London price is about $1.10 per pound.) They point out that if the Texas City smelter goes out of operation in June, it will make tin available for the long-sought buffer organization (International Tin Agreement).

## Aluminum Roundup

The Justice department's motion to keep Aluminum Co. of America under court jurisdiction (STEEL, Feb. 6, p. 77) will not be heard by the court until early April. The Justice department contends that there is insufficient competition in the aluminum industry. Year-end statements continue to refute this point. Reynolds Metals Co. reports that it made the highest net profit in the history of the company during '55. Comparison: $34.3 million in 1955, $20.3 million in 1954.

Bridgeport Brass Co. (a major producer of brass, copper and aluminum mill products) and Hunter Douglas Aluminum Co. will merge. Hunter Douglas has facilities for producing aluminum strip, cold extrusions and impact forgings. It operates two plants, employing 1500 persons.

And the Office of Defense Mobilization reports that domestic primary aluminum producers are being notified that the call issued in September, 1955, for delivery to the government of 25,000 tons of aluminum is being reduced to 11,000 tons. The metal was scheduled for delivery Apr. 30, 1956. ODM explains that the 14,000 tons can be released due to expansion programs, which will provide greater quantities for emergencies. Question: Will military requirements take it all?

## Lead, Zinc Demand Levels

Lead and zinc continue in satisfactory demand. The General Services Administration entered the market for both last week. While GSA will receive only token offers, the government's interest will keep prices firm. Rising prices on the London Metal Exchange will have little effect on U. S. prices. Reason: Automotive cutbacks will deter any thought of price hikes until May or June.

## Copper: Continuing Crisis

Chile's Finance Minister Oscar Herrera has done it again. On Feb. 27 he requested that the U. S. raise its price of copper from 46 to 48 cents per pound.

While his request may have been based on the fact that the Rhodesian Selection Trust Group jumped its price to a little above 48 cents per pound, it may be primarily a political move by Chile's economic leader. He is undoubtedly taking credit for forcing the price from 43 to 46 cents per pound (see STEEL, Feb. 27, p. 156) and may feel that he is second guessing when domestic producers are planning to raise prices again.

# Newport Steel

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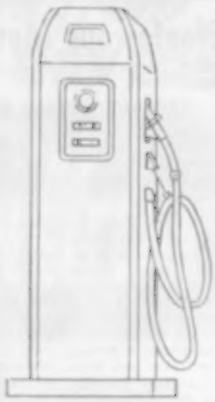

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- Hot-Rolled Sheets
- Hot-Rolled Pickled Sheets
- Galvanized Sheets
- Galvannealed Sheets
- Colorbond Sheets
- Electrical Sheets
- Alloy Sheets and Plates
- Electric Weld Line Pipe
- Roofing and Siding
- Eave Trough and Conductor Pipe
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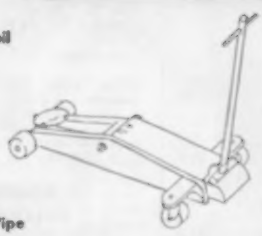

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# Nonferrous Metals

Cents per pound, carlots, except as otherwise noted

## PRIMARY METALS AND ALLOYS

**Aluminum:** 99 + %, ingots, 24.40; pigs 22.50, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. shipping point. Freight allowed on 500 lb or more.

**Aluminum Alloy:** No. 13, 12% Si, 26.20; No. 43, 5% Si, 26.00; No. 142, 4% Cu, 1.5% Mg, 2% Ni, 28.20; No. 195, 4.5% Cu, 0.8% Si, 27.60; No. 214, 3.8% Mg, 27.80; No. 356, 7% Si, 0.3% Mg, 26.20.

**Antimony:** R.M.M. brand, 99.5%, 33.00; Lone Star brand, 33.50, f.o.b. Laredo, Tex., in bulk. Foreign brands, 99.5%, 27.00-28.00, New York, duty paid, 10,000 lb or more.

**Beryllium:** 97%, lump or beads, $71.50 per lb, f.o.b. Cleveland or Reading, Pa.

**Beryllium Aluminum:** 5% Be, $72.75 per lb of contained Be, f.o.b. Reading, Pa., Elmore, O.

**Beryllium Copper:** 3.75-4.25% Be, $43 per lb of contained Be, with balance as Cu at market price on shipment date, f.o.b. Reading, Pa., or Elmore, O.

**Bismuth:** $2.25 per lb ton lots.

**Cadmium:** Sticks and bars, $1.70 per lb deld.

**Cobalt:** 97-99%, $2.60 per lb for 550-lb keg; $2.62 per lb for 100-lb case; $2.67 per lb under 100 lb.

**Columbium:** Powder, $119.20 per lb, nom.

**Copper:** Electrolytic, 46.00 deld. Conn. Valley; 46.00 deld. Midwest; custom smelters, 53.00 deld.; Lake, 46.00 deld.; Fire refined, 45.75 deld.

**Germanium:** First reduction, $201.85-$220 per lb; intrinsic grade, $220-$242.67 per lb, depending on quantity.

**Gold:** U. S. Treasury, $35 per oz.

**Indium:** 99.9%, $2.25 per troy oz.

**Iridium:** $100-$110 nom. per troy oz.

**Lead:** Common, 15.80; chemical, 15.90; corroding, 15.90, St. Louis. New York basis, add 0.20.

**Lithium:** 99+, cups or ingots, $11.50; rod $13.50; shot or wire, $14.50, f.o.b. Minneapolis, 100 lb lots.

**Magnesium:** Pig, 32.50 f.o.b. Velasco, Tex.; ingot, 33.25 f.o.b. Velasco, Tex.

**Magnesium Alloys:** AZ91B (diecasting), 31.00 deld.; AZ63A, AZ92A, AZ91C (sand casting), 36.00 f.o.b. Velasco, Tex.

**Mercury:** Open market, spot, New York, $268-$271 per 76-lb flask.

**Molybdenum:** Powder, 99% hydrogen reduced, $3.20 per lb; pressed ingot, $4.06 per lb; sintered ingot, $5.53 per lb.

**Nickel:** Electrolytic cathodes, sheets (4 x 4 in. and larger), unpacked, 64.50; 10-lb pigs, unpacked, 67.65; "XX" nickel shot, 69.00; "F" nickel shot or ingots for addition to cast iron, 64.50; prices f.o.b. Port Colborne, Ont., including import duty. New York basis, add 0.92.

**Osmium:** $80-$100, nom. per troy oz.

**Palladium:** $23-$24 per troy oz.

**Platinum:** $97-$112 per troy oz from refineries.

**Radium:** $16-$21.50 per mg radium content, depending on quantity.

**Rhodium:** $118-$125 per troy oz.

**Ruthenium:** $45-$53 per troy oz.

**Selenium:** 99.5%, $13.50-$15.50 per lb.

**Silver:** Open market, 90.75 per troy oz.

**Sodium:** 16.50, c.l.; 17.00 l.c.l.

**Tantalum:** Sheet, rod, $68.70 per lb; powder, $56.63 per lb.

**Tellurium:** $1.50-$1.75 per lb.

**Thallium:** $12.50 per lb.

**Tin:** Straits, N. Y., spot, 101.75; prompt, 101.50.

**Titanium:** Sponge, 99.3+%, grade A-1 ductile (0.3% Fe max), $3.45; grade A-2 (0.5% Fe max), $3.15 per pound.

**Tungsten:** Powder, 98.8%, carbon reduced, 1000-lb lots, $4.50 per lb, nom., f.o.b. shipping point; less than 1000 lb add 15.00; 99 + % hydrogen reduced, $5.00. Treated ingot, $6.70.

**Zinc:** Prime Western, 13.50; brass special, 13.75; intermediate, 14.00, East St. Louis, freight allowed over 0.50 per pound. High grade, 14.85; special high grade, 15.25 deld. Diecasting alloy ingot No. 3, 18.00; No. 2, 19.00; No. 5, 18.50, deld.

**Zirconium:** Ingots, commercial grade, $14.40 per lb; low-hafnium reactor grade, $23.07. Sponge, commercial grade, $7.50-$10.00 per lb, depending on quantity; reactor grade, $14.00-$22.00 per lb, depending on quantity. Powder, electronics grade, $15 per lb; flash grade, $11.50.

(Note: Chromium, manganese and silicon metals are listed in ferroalloy section.)

## SECONDARY METALS AND ALLOYS

**Aluminum Ingot:** Piston alloys, 30.25-32.75; No. 12 foundry alloy (No. 2 grade), 29.00; 5% silicon alloy, 0.60 Cu max, 30.50-31.25; 13 alloy, 0.60 Cu max, 30.50-31.25; 195 alloy, 30.50-31.25; 108 alloy, 29.00-29.50. Steel deoxidizing grades, notch bars, granulated or shot: Grade 1, 29.75-30.25; grade 2, 28.75; grade 3, 28.00; grade 4, 27.50-28.50.

**Brass Ingot:** Red brass, No. 115, 44.00; tin bronze, No. 225, 58.00; No. 245, 50.75; high-leaded tin bronze, No. 305, 47.75; No. 1 yellow, No. 405, 34.75; manganese bronze, No. 421, 39.25.

**Magnesium Alloy Ingot:** AZ63A, 34.00; AZ91B, 34.00; AZ91C, 34.00; AZ92A, 34.00.

## NONFERROUS MILL PRODUCTS

### BERYLLIUM COPPER

(Base prices per lb, plus mill extras, 2000 to 5000 lb, f.o.b. Temple, Pa.; nominal 1.9% Be alloy) Strip, $1.84; rod, bar, wire, $1.81.

### COPPER WIRE

Bare, soft, f.o.b. eastern mills, 30,000-lb lots, 51.355; l.c.l., 51.98. Weatherproof, 30,000-lb lots, 48.28; l.c.l., 49.03. Magnetic wire deld., 15,000 lb or more, 58.68; l.c.l., 59.43.

### LEAD

(Prices to jobbers, f.o.b. Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh) Sheets, full rolls, 140 sq ft or more, $21.50 per cwt; pipe, full coils, $21.50 per cwt; traps and bends, list prices plus 30%.

### TITANIUM

(Prices per lb, 10,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill) Sheets, $13.10-$13.60; sheared mill plate, $10.50-$12.00; strip, $13.10-$13.60; wire, $9.50-$11.50; forging billets, $7.90-$8.15; hot-rolled and forged bars, $7.90-$8.15.

### ZINC

(Prices per lb, c.l., f.o.b. mill) Sheets, 23.00-24.00; ribbon zinc in coils, 21.50; plates, 20.00-22.25.

### ZIRCONIUM

Plate, $22; H.R. strip, $19; C.R. strip, $29; forged or H.R. bars, $17; wire, 0.015 in., 1.00c per linear foot.

### NICKEL, MONEL, INCONEL

| | "A" Nickel | Monel | Inconel |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sheets, C.R. | 102 | 83 | 99 |
| Strip, C.R. | 102 | 92 | 125 |
| Plate, H.R. | 97 | 87 | 95 |
| Rod, Shapes, H.R. | 87 | 74 | 93 |
| Seamless Tubes | 122 | 110 | 153 |
| Shot, Blocks | ... | 71 | ... |

### ALUMINUM

**Screw Machine Stock:** 30,000 lb base.

| Diam. (in.) or across flats | Round 2011-T3 | Round 2017-T4 | Hexagonal 2011-T3 | Hexagonal 2017-T4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Drawn** | | | | |
| 0.125 | 67.9 | 66.4 | ... | ... |
| 0.156-0.172 | 57.5 | 55.9 | ... | ... |
| 0.188 | 57.5 | 55.9 | ... | 71.7 |
| 0.219-0.234 | 54.5 | 52.9 | ... | ... |
| 0.250-0.281 | 54.5 | 52.9 | ... | 68.4 |
| 0.313 | 54.5 | 52.9 | ... | 65.2 |
| **Cold-finished** | | | | |
| 0.375-0.547 | 53.4 | 51.4 | 63.7 | 61.3 |
| 0.563-0.688 | 53.4 | 51.4 | 60.6 | 57.5 |
| 0.750-1.000 | 52.1 | 50.1 | 55.4 | 54.2 |
| 1.063 | 52.1 | 50.1 | ... | 52.3 |
| 1.125-1.500 | 50.1 | 48.2 | 53.6 | 52.3 |
| **Rolled** | | | | |
| 1.563 | 48.8 | 46.9 | ... | ... |
| 1.625-2.000 | 48.2 | 46.2 | ... | 50.5 |
| 2.125-2.500 | 47.0 | 45.0 | ... | ... |
| 2.563-3.375 | 45.6 | 43.6 | ... | ... |

### ALUMINUM

**Sheet and Circle:** 1100 and 3003 mill finish (30,000 lb base; freight allowed)

| Thickness Range Inches | Flat Sheet | Flat Sheet Circles* | Coiled Sheet | Coiled Sheet Circles† |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0.249-0.136 | 37.5 | 42.3 | ... | ... |
| 0.135-0.096 | 38.0 | 43.2 | ... | ... |
| 0.095-0.077 | 38.7 | 44.2 | 36.1 | 41.3 |
| 0.076-0.061 | 39.3 | 45.1 | 36.3 | 41.5 |
| 0.060-0.048 | 39.9 | 45.6 | 36.7 | 42.0 |
| 0.047-0.038 | 40.4 | 46.5 | 37.2 | 42.4 |
| 0.037-0.030 | 40.8 | 47.0 | 37.6 | 43.1 |
| 0.029-0.024 | 41.4 | 47.5 | 37.9 | 43.6 |
| 0.023-0.019 | 42.2 | 49.0 | 38.8 | 44.5 |
| 0.018-0.017 | 43.0 | ... | 39.4 | 45.4 |
| 0.016-0.015 | 43.9 | ... | 40.2 | 46.6 |
| 0.014 | 44.9 | ... | 41.2 | 47.9 |
| 0.013-0.012 | 46.1 | ... | 41.9 | 48.9 |
| 0.011 | 47.1 | ... | 43.1 | 50.5 |
| 0.010-0.0095 | 48.4 | ... | 44.3 | 52.2 |
| 0.009-0.0085 | 49.7 | ... | 45.8 | 54.3 |
| 0.008-0.0075 | 51.3 | ... | 47.0 | 56.1 |
| 0.007 | 52.8 | ... | 48.5 | 58.4 |
| 0.006 | 54.4 | ... | 49.9 | 63.4 |

*48 in. max diam. †26 in. max diam.

### ALUMINUM

**Plates and Circles:** Thickness 0.250-3 in., 24-60 in. width or diam, 72-240 in. lengths.

| Alloy | Plate Base | Circle Base |
|---|---|---|
| 1100-F, 3003-F | 36.5 | 40.8 |
| 5050-F | 37.6 | 41.9 |
| 3004-F | 38.6 | 43.8 |
| 5052-F | 39.9 | 45.2 |
| 6061-T6 | 41.1 | 46.0 |
| 2024-T4* | 43.6 | 49.9 |
| 7075-T6* | 51.4 | 58.5 |

*24-48 in. widths or diam, 72-180 lengths.

### ALUMINUM

**Forging Stock:** Round, Class 1, 39.10-50.10 in specific lengths 36-144 in., diameters 0.375-8 in. Rectangles and squares, Class 1, 43.00-56.20 in random lengths, 0.375-4 in. thick, width 0.750-10 in.

**Pipe:** ASA Schedule 40, alloy 6063-T6, 20-ft lengths, plain ends, 90,000-lb base, per 100 ft.

| Nom. Pipe Size (in.) | | Nom. Pipe Size (in.) | |
|---|---|---|---|
| ⅜ | $16.85 | 2 | $ 51.95 |
| 1 | 26.50 | 4 | 143.00 |
| 1¼ | 35.85 | 6 | 256.70 |
| 1½ | 42.90 | 8 | 386.30 |

### MAGNESIUM

**Sheet and Plate:** AZ31A standard grade, .032 in., 99.00; .064 in., 78.00; .125 in., 63.50; .250-2.0 in., 61.00. AZ31A special grade, .032 in., 145.00; .064 in., 100.00; .125 in., 83.00; .250-2.0 in., 79.00. Tread plate, .125 in., 68.00; .250-3.0 in., 64.00. Tooling plate, .250-3.0 in., 65.00.

| Extrusions | Com. Grade (FS) | Spec. Grade (AZ31B) |
|---|---|---|
| 1 in. diam. rod | 61.50 | 73.00 |
| Shapes: 0.3 lb/ft | 65.40-72.40 | 76.90-83.90 |
| 1.0 lb/ft | 61.90-67.30 | 73.40-78.80 |
| 4.0 lb/ft | 57.70-62.20 | 69.20-73.70 |
| 2 in. OD x ⅛ in. w. tubing | 74.50 | 86.00 |

## NONFERROUS SCRAP

### DEALERS BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, New York, in ton lots)

**Aluminum:** 1100 clippings, 20.00-20.50; old sheets, 17.00-17.50; borings and turnings, 11.00-11.50; crankcases, 17.00-17.50; industrial castings, 17.00-17.50.

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and wire, 44.00; No. 2 heavy copper and wire, 40.00; light copper, 37.00-37.50; No. 1 composition red brass, 32.00-32.50; No. 1 composition turnings, 31.00-31.50; yellow brass

## BRASS MILL PRICES

| | MILL PRODUCTS a | | | SCRAP ALLOWANCES f | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Sheet, Strip, Plate | Rod | Wire | Seamless Tube | Clean Heavy | Rod Ends | Clean Turnings |
| Copper | 67.13b | 64.36c | .... | 67.32 | 42.000 | 42.000 | 41.250 |
| Yellow Brass | 55.60 | 45.65d | 56.14 | 58.51 | 31.250 | 31.000 | 29.000 |
| Low Brass, 80% | 60.15 | 60.09 | 60.69 | 62.96 | 35.375 | 35.125 | 34.625 |
| Red Brass, 85% | 61.79 | 61.73 | 62.33 | 64.60 | 37.000 | 36.750 | 36.250 |
| Com. Bronze, 90% | 63.98 | 63.92 | 64.52 | 66.84 | 38.500 | 38.250 | 37.750 |
| Manganese Bronze | 62.64–62.75 | 56.65–56.74 | 67.09 | .... | 29.250 | 29.000 | 28.500 |
| Muntz Metal | 56.94 | 52.75 | .... | .... | 29.125 | 28.875 | 28.375 |
| Naval Brass | 58.90 | 53.21 | 65.96 | 62.06 | 29.000 | 28.750 | 28.250 |
| Silicon Bronze | 70.48 | 69.67 | 70.52 | 72.66e | 40.750 | 40.500 | 39.750 |
| Nickel Silver, 10% | 69.20 | 71.53g | 51.53 | .... | 34.625 | 34.375 | 17.313 |
| Phos. Bronze, A, 5% | 85.37 | 85.87 | 85.87 | 87.05 | 42.625 | 42.375 | 41.375 |

a. Cents per lb, f.o.b. mill; freight allowed on 500 lb or more. b. Hot-rolled. c. Cold-drawn. d. Free cutting. e. 3% silicon. f. Prices in cents per lb for less than 20,000 lb, f.o.b. shipping point. On lots over 20,000 lb at one time, of any or all kinds of scrap, add 1 cent per lb. g. Leaded

turnings, 17.50-18.00; new brass clippings, 27.50-28.00; light brass, 19.50-20.00; heavy yellow brass, 22.00-22.50; new brass rod ends, 26.00-26.50; auto radiators, unsweated, 24.50-25.00; cocks and faucets, 25.00-25.50; brass pipe, 25.50-26.00.

**Lead:** Heavy, 12.75-13.00; battery plates, 6.50-6.75; linotype and stereotype, 14.00-14.50; electrotype, 13.25-13.75; mixed babbitt, 15.50.

**Magnesium:** Clippings, 18.50-19.50; clean castings, 18.00-19.00; iron castings, not over 10% removable Fe, less full deduction for Fe, 16.00-17.00.

**Monel:** Clippings, 60.00-65.00; old sheets, 55.00-65.00; turnings, 50.00; rods, 60.00-65.00.

**Nickel:** Sheets and clips, 100.00-150.00; rolled anodes, 100.00-150.00; turnings, 85.00-125.00; rod ends, 100.00-150.00.

**Zinc:** Old zinc, 6.00-6.50; new die-cast scrap, 6.00; old die-cast scrap, 3.50.

### REFINER'S BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered refinery)

**Aluminum:** 1100 clippings, 22.25-22.50; 3003 clippings, 22.00-22.50; 6151 clippings, 21.75-22.25; 5052 clippings, 21.75-22.25; 2014 clippings, 21.75; 2017 clippings, 21.50-21.75; 2024 clippings, 21.50-21.75; mixed clippings, 21.00-22.00; old sheet, 19.50-20.00; old cast, 19.50-20.00, clean old cable (free of steel), 21.75-22.25; borings and turnings, 19.50-20.50.

**Beryllium Copper:** Heavy scrap, 0.020-in. and heavier, not less than 1.5% Be, 68.00; light scrap, 63.00; turnings and borings, 48.00.

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and wire, 45.00; No. 2 heavy copper and wire, 43.50; light copper, 42.00; refinery brass (60% copper) per dry copper content, 39.50.

### INGOTMAKERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered)

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and wire, 45.00; No. 2 heavy copper and wire, 43.50; light copper, 42.00; No. 1 composition borings, 35.50; No. 1 composition solids, 36.00; heavy yellow brass solids, 26.00; yellow brass turnings, 25.00; radiators, 27.50-28.00.

### PLATING MATERIAL

(F.o.b. shipping point, freight allowed on quantities)

#### ANODES

**Cadmium:** Special or patented shapes, $1.70 per lb.

**Copper:** Flat-rolled, 63.79; oval, 62.92, 5000-10,000 lb; electrodeposited, 61.25, 2000-5000 lb lots; cast, 58.55, 5000-10,000 lb quantities.

**Nickel:** Depolarized, less than 100 lb, $1.015; 100-499 lb, 99.50; 500-4999 lb, 95.50; 5000-29,999 lb, 93.50; 30,000 lb, 91.50. Carbonized, deduct 3 cents a lb. All prices eastern delivery, effective Jan. 1, 1955.

**Tin:** Bar or slab; less than 200 lb, $1.205; 200-499 lb, $1.190; 500-999 lb, $1.185; 1000 lb or more, $1.180.

**Zinc:** Balls, 21.00; flat tops, 21.00; flats, 22.75; ovals, 22.00, ton lots.

### CHEMICALS

**Cadmium Oxide:** $2.15 per lb, in 100-lb drums.

**Chromic Acid:** Less than 10,000 lb, 28.50; over 10,000 lb, 27.50.

**Copper Cyanide:** 100 lb, 85.25; 200 lb, 84.50; 300 lb, 84.25; 400-900 lb, 85.50; 1000 lb, 81.50.

**Copper Sulphate:** 500-1900 lb, 17.90; 2000-5900 lb, 15.90; 6000 lb or more, 15.65.

**Nickel Chloride:** 100 lb, 46.50; 200 lb, 44.50; 300 lb, 35.25; 400-4900 lb, 33.25; 5000-35,900 lb, 39.50; 10,000 lb and over, 38.50. All prices eastern delivery, effective Jan. 1, 1955.

**Nickel Sulphate:** 100 lb, 38.25; 200 lb, 36.25; 3300 lb, 35.25; 400-4900 lb, 33.25; 5000-35,900 lb, 31.25; 36,000 lb, 30.25. All prices eastern delivery, effective Jan. 1, 1955.

**Silver Cyanide:** (Cents per ounce) 4-oz bottle, 86.875; 16-oz bottle, 85.625; 80-oz bottle, 83.125; 100-oz bottle, 83.125; f.o.b. St. Louis, New York and Los Angeles. Effective Sept. 30, 1955.

**Sodium Cyanide:** Egg, under 1000 lb, 19.80; 1000-19,900 lb, 18.80; 20,000 lb, and over, 17.80; granular, add 1-cent premium to above.

**Sodium Stannate:** Less than 100 lb, 72.30; 100-600 lb, 63.80; 700-1900 lb, 61.30; 2000-9900 lb, 59.60; 10,000 lb or more, 58.40.

**Stannous Chloride (anhydrous):** Less than 25 lb, $1.696; 25 lb, $1.346; 100 lb, $1.196; 400 lb, $1.171; 5200-19,600 lb, $1.049; 20,000 lb or more, 92.70.

**Stannous Sulphate:** Less than 50 lb, $1.322; 50 lb, $1.022; 100-1900 lb, $1.002; 2000 lb or more, 98.20.

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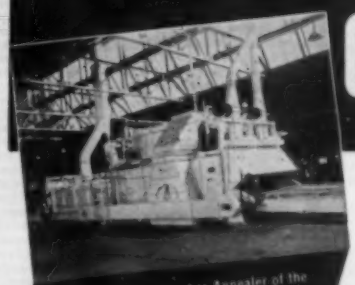

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# Steel Prices

Mill prices as reported to STEEL, cents per pound except as otherwise noted. *Changes shown in italics.* Code numbers following mill points indicate producing company. Key to producers, page 147; to footnotes, page 149.

## SEMIFINISHED

**INGOTS, Carbon, Forging (NT)**

Munhall,Pa. U5 .....$65.50

**INGOTS, Alloy (NT)**

Detroit R7 .....$69.00
Houston S5 .....74.00
Midland,Pa. C18 .....69.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....69.00

**BILLETS, BLOOMS & SLABS**

**Carbon, Rerolling (NT)**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....$68.50
Bessemer,Pa. U5 .....68.50
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..73.50
Buffalo R2 .....68.50
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....68.50
Ensley,Ala. T2 .....68.50
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....68.50
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....76.00
Gary,Ind. U5 .....68.50
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....68.50
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..68.50
LoneStar,Tex. L6 .....74.50
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....68.50
Pittsburgh J5 .....68.50
S.Chicago,Ill. R2, U5...68.50
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....68.50
Youngstown R2 .....68.50

**Carbon, Forging (NT)**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....$84.50
Bessemer,Pa. U5 .....84.50
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..89.50
Buffalo R2 .....84.50
Canton,O. R2 .....86.50
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....84.50
Conshohocken,Pa. A3...89.50
Ensley,Ala. T2 .....84.50
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....84.50
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....92.00
Gary,Ind. U5 .....84.50
Geneva,Utah C11 .....84.50
Houston S5 .....89.50
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....84.50
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2...84.50
LosAngeles B3 .....94.00
Midland,Pa. C18 .....84.50
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....84.50
Pittsburgh J5 .....84.50
Seattle B3 .....98.00
S.Chicago R2,U5,W14 ..84.50
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....84.50
S.SanFrancisco B3 ....94.00

**Alloy, Forging (NT)**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....$96.00
Buffalo R2 .....96.00
Canton O. R2, T7 .....96.00
Conshohocken,Pa. A3..103.00
Detroit R7 .....96.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....115.00
Gary,Ind. U5 .....96.00
Houston S5 .....101.00
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ...96.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....96.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..96.00
LosAngeles B3 .....116.00
Massillon,O. R2 .....96.00
Midland,Pa. C18 .....96.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....96.00
S.Chicago R2,U5,W14 ..96.00
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....96.00
Struthers,O. Y1 .....96.00
Warren,O. C17 .....96.00

**ROUNDS, SEAMLESS TUBE (NT)**

Buffalo R2 .....$103.50
Canton,O. R2 .....103.50
Cleveland R2 .....103.50
Gary,Ind. U5 .....103.50
S.Chicago R2, W14 ...103.50
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ...103.50

**SKELP**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....4.325
LoneStar,Tex. L6 .....4.625
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.225
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..4.225
Warren,O. R2 .....4.225
Youngstown R2, U5 ...4.225

**WIRE RODS**

AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..5.375
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....5.375
Alton,Ill. L1 .....5.55
Buffalo W12 .....5.375
Cleveland A7 .....5.375
Donora,Pa. A7 .....5.375
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....5.375
Houston S5 .....5.625
IndianaHarbor,Ind. Y1..5.375
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....5.375
Joliet,Ill. A7 .....5.375
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....5.625
Kokomo,Ind. C16 .....5.475
LosAngeles B3 .....6.175
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ...5.625
Monessen,Pa. P7 .....5.375
N.Tonawanda,N.Y. B11 5.375
Pittsburg Calif. C11 ...5.675
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....5.375
Roebling,N.J. R5 .....5.475
S.Chicago,Ill. R2 .....5.375
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..5.475
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ...5.375
Sterling,Ill. N15 .....5.475
Struthers,O. Y1 .....5.375
Worcester,Mass. A7 ...5.675

## STRUCTURALS

**Carbon Steel Std. Shapes**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 .....4.60
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....4.60
Bessemer,Ala. T2 .....4.60
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....4.65
Birmingham C15 .....5.10
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....4.60
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....4.60
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....5.25
Gary,Ind. U5 .....4.60
Geneva,Utah C11 .....4.60
Houston S5 .....4.70
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....4.60
Johnstown Pa. B2 .....4.65
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....4.70
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.65
LosAngeles B3 .....5.30
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.90
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.60
Niles,Calif. P1 .....5.25
Phoenixville,Pa. P4 ....5.15
Portland,Oreg. O4 .....5.35
Seattle B3 .....5.35
S.Chicago U5, W14 ....4.60
S.SanFrancisco B3 ....5.25
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.30
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.60

**Wide Flange**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....4.65
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....4.60
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....5.40
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.65
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.60
Phoenixville,Pa. P4 ....5.15
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....4.60

**Alloy Std. Shapes**

Clairton,Pa. U5 .....5.65
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.30
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.65
Houston S5 .....5.75
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....5.65
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....5.65

**H.S., L.A. Std. Shapes**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....6.75
Bessemer,Ala. T2 .....6.75
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....6.80
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....6.75
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....6.75
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.40
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.75
Geneva,Utah C11 .....6.75
Houston S5 .....6.85
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..6.75
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....6.80
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....6.85
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.80
LosAngeles B3 .....7.45
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....6.75
Seattle B3 .....7.50
S.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14..6.75
S.SanFrancisco B3 ....7.40
Struthers,O. Y1 .....6.75

**H.S., L.A. Wide Flange**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....6.80
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.80
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....6.75
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....6.75

## PILING

**BEARING PILES**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....4.65
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.65
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.60
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....4.60

**STEEL SHEET PILING**

Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.45
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ...5.45
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....5.45
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....5.45

## PLATES

**PLATES, Carbon Steel**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 .....4.50
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....4.50
Ashland Ky.(15) A10 ..4.50
Bessemer,Ala. T2 .....4.50
Bridgeport Conn. N19 ..4.75
Buffalo R2 .....4.50
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....4.50
Claymont,Del. C22 .....4.80
Cleveland J5, R2 .....4.60
Coatesville,Pa. L7 .....4.80
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ...4.50
Detroit M1 .....4.60
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....4.60
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....4.50
Fontana,Calif.(30) K1 ..5.15
Gary,Ind. U5 .....4.50
Geneva,Utah C11 .....4.50
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 .....4.70
Harrisburg,Pa. P4 .....5.10
Houston S5 .....4.60
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.4.50
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....4.50
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.50
LoneStar,Tex. L6 .....4.85
Mansfield,O. E6 .....4.50
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....5.35
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.50
Newport,Ky. N9 .....4.50
Pittsburgh J5 .....4.50
Riverdale,Ill. A1 .....4.725
Seattle B3 .....5.40
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....4.50
S.Chicago R2, U5, W14..4.50
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.50
Steubenville,O. W10 ....4.50
Warren,O. R2 .....4.50
Weirton,W.Va. W6 .....4.50
Youngstown R2, U5, Y1.4.50

**PLATES, Carbon Abras. Resist.**

Claymont,Del. C22 .....5.65
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....6.30
Geneva,Utah C11 .....5.65
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....5.65
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..5.65

**PLATES, Wrought Iron**

Economy,Pa. B14 .....10.40

**PLATES, High Strength Low-Alloy**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....6.725
Bessemer,Ala. T2 .....6.725
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....6.725
Cleveland J5, R2 .....6.725
Claymont,Del. C22 .....6.725
Coatesville,Pa. L7 .....7.025
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..6.725
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....6.825
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....6.725
Fontana,Calif.(30) K1..7.375
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.725
Geneva,Utah C11 .....6.725
Houston S5 .....6.825
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.6.725
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....6.725
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....6.725
Pittsburgh J5 .....6.725
Seattle B3 .....7.625
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....6.725
S.Chicago Ill. U5, W14..6.725
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..6.725
Warren,O. R2 .....6.725
Youngstown U5, Y1 ...6.725

**PLATES, Alloy**

Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ...6.55
Claymont,Del. C22 .....6.30
Coatesville,Pa. L7 .....6.30
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....6.95
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.30
Houston S5 .....6.40
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.30
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....6.30
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....6.30
Newport,Ky. N9 .....6.30
Seattle B3 .....7.20
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....6.30
S.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14..6.30
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..6.30
Youngstown Y1 .....6.30

**FLOOR PLATES**

Cleveland J5 .....5.575
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5.575
Harrisburg,Pa. P4 .....5.575
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...5.575
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....5.575
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 .....5.575

**PLATES, Ingot Iron**

Ashland c.l. (15) A10...4.75
Ashland l.c.l. (15) A10..5.25
Cleveland c.l. R2 .....5.10
Warren,O. c.l. R2 .....5.10

## BARS

**BARS, Hot-Rolled Carbon**

Ala.City,Ala.(9) R2 ....4.65
Aliquippa,Pa.(9) J5 ....4.65
Alton,Ill. L1 .....4.85
Atlanta A11 .....4.85
Bessemer,Ala.(9) T2 ....4.65
Birmingham C15 .....5.15
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..4.80
Buffalo(9) R2 .....4.65
Canton,O.(9) R2 .....4.75
Clairton,Pa.(9) U5 ....4.65
Cleveland(9) R2 .....4.65
Ecorse,Mich. G3 .....4.75
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ....5.40
Fairfield,Ala.(9) T2 ....4.65
Fairless,Pa.(9) U5 .....4.80
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....5.35
Gary,Ind.(9) U5 .....4.65
Houston(9) S5 .....4.90
Ind.Harbor,Ind.(9) I-2..4.65
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....4.65
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....4.65
Joliet,Ill. P22 .....5.15
KansasCity,Mo.(9) S5 ..4.90
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.65
LosAngeles B3 .....5.35
Massillon,O.(9) R2 .....4.75
Midland,Pa. C18 .....4.65
Milton,Pa. M18 .....4.80
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....5.10
Niles,Calif. P1 .....5.35
N.Tonawanda,N.Y.(9) B11 4.65
Pittsburg,Calif.(9) C11..5.35
Pittsburgh(9) J5 .....4.65
Portland,Oreg. O4 .....5.40
Seattle B3, N14 .....5.40
S.Chicago W14 .....4.65
S.Chicago,Ill.(9) R2, U5 4.65
S.Duquesne,Pa.(9) U5...4.65
S.SanFran.Calif B3 ...5.40
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....4.65
Sterling,Ill. N15 .....4.75
Struthers,O. Y1 .....4.65
Torrance Calif.(9) C11 ..5.35
Warren,O.(9) R2 .....4.65
Weirton,W.Va.(9) W6 ..4.65
Youngstown(9) R2 U5..4.65

**BARS, H.R. Loaded Alloy**

Warren,O. C17 .....6.325

**BARS, Hot-Rolled Alloy**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....5.575
Bridgeport,Conn. N19..5.725
Buffalo R2 .....5.575
Canton,O. R2, T7 .....5.575
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....5.575
Detroit R7 .....5.575
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....5.675
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....5.725
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....6.625
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.575
Houston S5 .....5.825
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.5.575
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....5.575
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....5.825
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.575
LosAngeles B3 .....6.625
Massillon,O. R2 .....5.575
Midland,Pa. C18 .....5.575
S.Chicago R2, U5, W14.5.575
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....5.575
Struthers,O. Y1 .....5.575
Warren,O. C17 .....5.575
Youngstown U5 .....5.575

**BARS & SMALL SHAPES, H.R. High-Strength Low-Alloy**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....6.80
Bessemer,Ala. T2 .....6.80
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....6.80
Clairton,Pa. U5 .....6.80
Cleveland R2 .....6.80
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....6.90
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....6.80
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.50
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.80
Houston S5 .....7.05
Ind.Harb..Ind. I-2, Y1..6.80
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....6.80
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....7.05
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ...6.80
LosAngeles B3 .....7.50
Pittsburgh J5 .....6.80
Seattle B3 .....7.55
S.Chicago W14 .....6.80
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 .....6.80
S.SanFrancisco B3 .....7.55
Struthers,O. Y1 .....6.80
Warren O. R2 .....6.80
Youngstown U5 .....6.80

**BAR SIZE ANGLES; H.R. Carbon**

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....4.80

**BAR SIZE ANGLES; S. Shapes**

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 .....4.65
Atlanta A11 .....4.85
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....5.35
Joliet,Ill. P22 .....5.10
Niles,Calif. P1 .....5.35
Pittsburgh J5 .....4.65
Portland,Oreg. O4 .....5.40
SanFrancisco S7 .....5.05

**BAR SHAPES, Hot-Rolled Alloy**

Clairton,Pa. U5 .....5.65
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.65
Houston S5 .....5.90
KansasCity,Mo. S5 .....5.90
Youngstown U5 .....5.65

**BARS, C.F. Loaded Alloy**

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....8.325
Camden,N.J. P13 .....8.35
Chicago W18 .....8.325
Cleveland C20 .....8.325
Monaca,Pa. S17 .....8.325
Newark,N.J. W18 .....8.50
SpringCity,Pa. K3 .....8.30
Warren,O. C17 .....8.325

**BARS, Cold-Finished Carbon**

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....6.25*
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12,R2 6.25*
Buffalo B5 .....6.30*
Camden,N.J. P13 .....6.70*
Carnegie,Pa. C12 .....6.25*
Chicago W18 .....6.25*
Cleveland A7, C20 ....6.25*
Detroit B5 .....6.45*
Detroit P17, R7 .....6.25*
Donora,Pa. A7 .....6.25*
Elyria,O. W8 .....6.25*
FranklinPark,Ill. N5 ...6.25*
Gary,Ind. R2 .....6.25*
GreenBay,Wis. F7 .....6.25*
Hammond,Ind. L2, M13..6.25*
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....6.75*
Harvey,Ill. B5 .....6.25*
LosAngeles(49) S30 ...7.70*
LosAngeles R2 .....7.70*
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ...6.80*
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ...6.25*
Midland,Pa. C18 .....6.25*
Monaca,Pa. S17 .....6.25*
Newark,N.J. W18 .....6.70*
NewCastle,Pa.(17) B4..6.25*
Pittsburgh J5 .....6.25*
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....6.50*
Putnam Conn. W18 ....6.80*
Readville,Mass. C14 ...6.80*
S.Chicago,Ill. W14 ....6.25*
SpringCity,Pa. W3 ....6.70*
Struthers,O. Y1 .....6.25*
Waukegan,Ill. A7 .....6.25*
Worcester,Mass. W19 ..6.70*
Youngstown F3, Y1 ...6.25*

*Including 0.35c for special quality.

**BARS, Cold-Finished Carbon (Turned and Ground)**

Cumberland,Md.(5) C19..5.16

**BARS, Cold-Finished Alloy**

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....7.425
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12,R2 7.425
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 .....7.425
Buffalo B5 .....7.425
Camden,N.J. P13 .....7.60
Canton,O. T7 .....7.425
Carnegie,Pa. C12 .....7.425
Chicago W18 .....7.425
Cleveland A7, C20 .....7.425
Detroit R7 .....7.425
Detroit B5, P17 .....7.625
Donora,Pa. A7 .....7.425
Elyria,O. W8 .....7.425
Gary,Ind. R2 .....7.425
GreenBay,Wis. F7 .....7.425
Hammond,Ind. L2, M13..7.425
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....7.725
Harvey,Ill. B5 .....7.425
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..7.425
LosAngeles S30 .....9.10
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ....7.725
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ...7.425
Midland,Pa. C18 .....7.425
Monaca,Pa. S17 .....7.425
Newark,N.J. W18 .....7.60
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....7.625
S.Chicago W14 .....7.425
SpringCity,Pa. K3 .....7.60
Struthers,O. Y1 .....7.425
Warren,O. C17 .....7.425
Waukegan,Ill. A7 .....7.425
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....7.725
Youngstown F3, Y1 ...7.425

**BARS, Reinforcing (To Fabricators)**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 .....4.65
Atlanta A11 .....4.85
Birmingham C15 .....5.15
Buffalo R2 .....4.65
Cleveland R2 .....4.65
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....4.75
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ...5.40
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....4.65
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....4.80
Fontana Calif. K1 .....5.35
Ft.Worth,Tex.(42) T4 ..5.10
Gary,Ind. U5 .....4.65
Houston S5 .....4.90

Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..4.65
Johnstown,Pa. B2 .....4.65
Joliet,Ill. P22 .....5.15
KansasCity, Mo. S5 ....4.90
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.65
LosAngeles B3 .....5.35
Milton,Pa. M18 .....4.80
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....5.10
Niles,Calif. P1 .....5.35
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....5.35
Pittsburgh J5 .....4.65
Portland,Oreg. O4 ....5.40
SandSprings,Okla. S5 ...5.15
Seattle B3, N14 .....5.40
S.Chicago R2 .....4.65
S.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....4.65
S.SanFrancisco B3 ....5.40
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.65
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....4.65
Sterling,Ill N15 .....4.75
Struthers,O. Y1 .....4.65
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.35
Youngstown R2, U5, Y1.4.65

**BARS, Reinforcing**
**(Fabricated; to Consumers)**

Johnstown,Pa. ¼-1" B2.6.15
KansasCity,Kans. S5 ...6.45
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ...6.17
Marion,O. P11 .....6.15
Pittsburgh U8 .....6.17
Seattle B3, N14 .....6.60
SparrowsPt. ½-1" B2...6.15
Williamsport,Pa. S19 ...6.00

**RAIL STEEL BARS**

ChicagoHts.(3) C2, I-2..4.65
ChicagoHts.(4) C2, I-2..4.65
Ft.Worth,Tex(26) T4...5.10
Franklin,Pa.(3) F5 ....4.65
Franklin,Pa.(4) F5 ....4.65
JerseyShore,Pa.(4) J8 ...4.65
Marion,O.(3) P11 .....4.65
Moline,Ill.(3) R2 .....4.80
Tonawanda(3) B12 ....4.65
Tonawanda(4) B12 ....5.15
Williamsport,Pa.(3) S19.4.65

**BARS, Wrought Iron**

Economy,Pa.(S.R.)B14 11.50
Economy,Pa.(D.R.)B14 14.30
Economy(Staybolt)B14. 14.65
McK.Rks. (S.R.) L5 ..11.50
McK.Rks.(D.R.) L5 ..16.00
McK.Rks.(Staybolt) L5.17.00

# SHEETS

**SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Steel**
**(18 Gage and Heavier)**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 .....4.325
Allenport,Pa. P7 .....4.325
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..4.325
Cleveland J5, R2 .....4.325
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..4.375
Detroit(8) M1 .....4.425
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ....4.325
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....4.425
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....4.325
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....4.375
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.075
Gary,Ind. U5 .....4.325
Geneva,Utah C11 .....4.425
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....4.525
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.325
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.325
Mansfield,O. E6 (37) ..4.325
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....4.325
Newport,Ky.(8) N9 ...4.325
Niles,O. M21 .....4.325
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ...5.025
Pittsburgh J5 .....4.325
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....4.325
Riverdale,Ill. A1 .....4.55
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....4.325
S.Chicago,Ill. W14 ....4.325
SparrowsPoint, Md. B2.4.325
Steubenville,O. W10 ...4.325
Warren,O. R2 .....4.325
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.325
Youngstown U5, Y1 ...4.325

**SHEETS, H.R. (19 Ga. & Lighter)**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ....5.625
Niles,O. M21 .....5.325

**SHEETS, H.R. Alloy**

Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....7.20
Youngstown Y1 .....7.20

**SHEETS, H.R. (14 Ga. & Heavier)**
**High-Strength Low-Alloy**

Cleveland J5, R2 .....6.375
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..6.425
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ...6.375
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....6.475
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....6.375
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....6.425
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.125
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.375
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.6.375
Lackawanna(35) B2 ..6.375
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....6.375
Pittsburgh J5 .....6.375
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....6.375
S.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....6.375
SparrowsPoint(36) B2.6.375
Warren,O. R2 .....6.375
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....6.375
Youngstown U5, Y1 ...6.375

**SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron**
**(18 Gage and Heavier)**

Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ...4.575
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...4.575

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Steel**
**(Commercial Quality)**

Allenport,Pa. P7 ....5.325
Cleveland J5, R2 .....5.325
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5.375
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ....5.325
Detroit M1 .....5.325
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....5.425
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....5.325
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....5.375
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..5.325
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.425
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.325
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ...5.525
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.5.325
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.325
Mansfield,O. E6 .....5.325
Middletown,O. A10 ....5.325
Newport, Ky. N9 .....5.325
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ..6.275
Pittsburgh J5 .....5.325
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....5.325
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..5.325
Steubenville,O. W10 ...5.325
Warren,O. R2 .....5.325
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.325
Youngstown Y1 .....5.325

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled**
**High-Strength Low-Alloy**

Cleveland J5, R2 ....7.875
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ...7.875
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....7.975
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....7.925
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....8.975
Gary,Ind. U5 .....7.875
IndianaHarbor,Ind. Y1.7.875
Lackawanna(37) B2 ..7.875
Pittsburgh J5 .....7.875
SparrowsPoint(38) B2..7.875
Warren,O. R2 .....7.875
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....7.875
Youngstown Y1 .....7.875

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron**

Middletown,O. A10 ....5.325

| SHEETS, Culvert (16 Gage) | Cu Alloy | Cu Fe |
|---|---|---|
| Ashland,Ky. | A10 | 6.90 ... |
| Canton,O. | R2 | 6.10 6.55 |
| Dravosburg | U5 | 6.10 ... |
| Fairfield | T2 | 6.10 ... |
| Gary,Ind. | U5 | 6.10 6.35 |
| Ind.Harbor | I-2 | 6.10 6.35 |
| Kokomo,Ind. | C16 | 6.20 ... |
| MartinsFry. | W10 | 6.10 ... |
| Newport,Ky. | N9 | 6.10 6.35 |
| Pitts.,Calif. | C11 | 6.85 ... |
| SparrowsPt. | B2 | 6.10 ... |

**SHEETS, Culvert—Pure Iron**

Ashland,Ky. A10 .....7.15
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.35
MartinsFry,O. W10 ....6.35

**SHEETS, Galvanized Steel**
**Hot-Dipped**

Ala.City,Ala. R2 .....5.85‡
Ashland,Ky. A10 .....5.85†
Canton,O. R2 .....5.85‡
Dover,O. R1 .....5.85†
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ...5.85†
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....5.85†
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.85*
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....6.05
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...5.85†
Kokomo,Ind. C16 .....5.95‡
MartinsFerry,O. W10 ..5.85*
Middletown,O. A10 ....5.85†
Newport,Ky. N9 .....5.85‡
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ...6.60*
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 ..5.85†
Warren,O. R2 .....5.85†
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.85*

*Continuous and noncontinuous. †Continuous. ‡Noncontinuous.

**SHEETS, Well Casing**

Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.575

**SHEETS, Galvanized**
**High-Strength Low-Alloy**

Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ....8.60
SparrowsPoint(39) B2..8.60

**SHEETS, Galvannealed Steel**

Canton,O. R2 .....6.25
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ....6.25
Kokomo,Ind. C16 .....6.60
Newport,Ky. N9 .....6.25

**SHEETS, Galvanized Ingot Iron**
**(Hot-dipped Continuous)**

Ashland,Ky. A10 .....6.10
Middletown,O. A10 ....6.10

**SHEETS, Electrogalvanized**

Cleveland(28) R2 .....6.70
Niles,O.(28) R2 .....6.70
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....6.55

**SHEETS, Aluminum Coated**

Butler,Pa. A10 (type 1).8.50
Butler,Pa. A10 (type 2).8.60

**SHEETS, Enameling Iron**

Ashland,Ky. A10 .....5.90
Cleveland R2 .....5.90
Dravosburg,Pa. U5 ....5.90
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.90
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....6.10
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.90
Middletown,O. A10 ....5.90
Niles,O. M21 .....5.90
Youngstown Y1 .....5.90

**BLUED STOCK, 29 Gage**

Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ...7.75
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....7.75
Yorkville,O. W10 .....7.75

**SHEETS, Long Terne Steel**
**(Commercial Quality)**

BeechBottom,W.Va. W10 6.25
Gary,Ind. U5 .....6.25
Mansfield,O. E6 .....6.25
Middletown,O. A10 ....6.25
Niles,O. M21 .....6.25
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....6.25

**SHEETS, Long Terne, Ingot Iron**

Middletown,O. A10 ....6.65

## Key To Producers

A1 Acme Steel Co.
A3 Alan Wood Steel Co.
A4 Allegheny Ludlum Steel
A5 Alloy Metal Wire Div., H. K. Porter Co. Inc.
A6 American Shim Steel Co.
A7 American Steel & Wire Div., U. S. Steel Corp.
A8 Anchor Drawn Steel Co.
A9 Angell Nail & Chaplet
A10 Armco Steel Corp.
A11 Atlantic Steel Co.

B1 Babcock & Wilcox Co.
B2 Bethlehem Steel Co.
B3 Beth. Pac. Coast Steel
B4 Blair Strip Steel Co.
B5 Bliss & Laughlin Inc.
B8 Braeburn Alloy Steel
B9 Brainard Steel Div., Sharon Steel Corp.
B10 E. & G. Brooke, Wickwire Spencer Steel Div. Colo. Fuel & Iron
B11 Buffalo Bolt Co., Div., Buffalo-Eclipse Corp.
B12 Buffalo Steel Corp.
B14 A. M. Byers Co.
B15 J. Bishop & Co.

C1 Calstrip Steel Corp.
C2 Calumet Steel Div. Borg-Warner Corp.
C4 Carpenter Steel Co.
C7 Cleve. Cold Rolling Mills
C8 Cold Metal Products Co.
C9 Colonial Steel Co.
C10 Colorado Fuel & Iron
C11 Columbia-Geneva Steel
C12 Columbia Steel & Shaft.
C13 Columbia Tool Steel Co.
C14 Compressed Steel Shaft.
C15 Connors Steel Div. H. K. Porter Co. Inc.
C16 Continental Steel Corp.
C17 Copperweld Steel Co.
C18 Crucible Steel Co.
C19 Cumberland Steel Co.
C20 Cuyahoga Steel & Wire
C22 Claymont Steel Products Dept. Wickwire Spencer Steel Division
C23 Charter Wire Inc.
C24 G. O. Carlson Inc.

D2 Detroit Steel Corp.
D3 Detroit Tube & Steel Div., Sharon Steel Corp.
D4 Disston & Sons, Henry
D6 Driver-Harris Co.
D7 Dickson Weatherproof Nail Co.
D8 Damascus Tube Co.
D9 Wilbur B. Driver Co.

E1 Eastern Gas&Fuel Assoc.
E2 Eastern Stainless Steel
E4 Electro Metallurgical Co.
E5 Elliott Bros. Steel Co.
E6 Empire Steel Corp.

F2 Firth Sterling Inc.
F3 Fitzsimmons Steel Co.
F4 Follansbee Steel Corp.
F5 Franklin Steel Div. Borg-Warner Corp.
F6 Fretz-Moon Tube Co.
F7 Ft.Howard Steel&Wire
F8 Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.

G2 Globe Iron Co.
G4 Granite City Steel Co.
G5 Great Lakes Steel Corp.
G6 Greer Steel Co.

H1 Hanna Furnace Corp.
H7 Helical Tube Co.

I-1 Igoe Bros. Inc.
I-2 Inland Steel Co.
I-3 Interlake Iron Corp.
I-4 Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
I-6 Ivins, E., Steel Tube
I-7 Indiana Steel&Wire Co.

J1 Jackson Iron & Steel Co.
J3 Jessop Steel Co.
J4 Johnson Steel&Wire Co.
J5 Jones & Laughlin Steel
J6 Joslyn Mfg. & Suppy
J7 Judson Steel Corp.
J8 Jersey Shore Steel Co.

K1 Kaiser Steel Corp.
K2 Keokuk Electro-Metals
K3 Keystone Drawn Steel
K4 Keystone Steel & Wire
K7 Kenmore Metals Corp.

L1 Laclede Steel Co.
L2 LaSalle Steel Co.
L3 Latrobe Steel Co.
L5 Lockhart Iron & Steel
L6 Lone Star Steel Co.
L7 Lukens Steel Co.

M1 McLouth Steel Corp.
M4 Mahoning Valley Steel
M6 Mercer Pipe Div., Sawhill Tubular Products
M8 Mid-States Steel & Wire
M12 Moltrup Steel Products
M13 Monarch Steel Div., Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.
M14 McInnes Steel Co.
M16 Md.Fine&Special. Wire
M17 Metal Forming Corp.
M18 Milton Steel Prod. Div., Merritt-Chapman&Scott
M21 Mallory-Sharon Titanium Corp.

N1 National-Standard Co.
N2 National Supply Co.
N3 National Tube Div., U.S. Steel Corp.
N5 Nelson Steel & Wire Co.
N6 New Eng. High Carb. Wire
N8 Newman-Crosby Steel
N9 Newport Steel Corp.
N14 Northwest.SteelRoll.Mills
N15 Northwestern S.&W. Co.
N16 New Delphos Mfg. Co.
N19 Northeastern Steel Corp.

O3 Oliver Iron & Steel Corp.
O4 Oregon Steel Mills

P1 PacificStatesSteelCorp.
P2 Pacific Tube Co.
P4 Phoenix Iron & Steel Co. Sub. of Barium Steel Corp.
P5 Pilgrim Drawn Steel
P6 Pittsburgh Coke&Chem.
P7 Pittsburgh Steel Co.
P11 Pollak Steel Co.
P12 Portsmouth Division, Detroit Steel Corp.
P13 Precision Drawn Steel
P14 Pitts. Screw & Bolt Co.
P15 Pittsburgh Metallurgical
P16 Page Steel & Wire Div., Amer. Chain & Cable
P17 Plymouth Steel Co.
P19 Pitts. Rolling Mills
P20 Prod. Steel Strip Corp.
P22 Phoenix Mfg. Co.

R1 Reeves Steel & Mfg. Co.
R2 Republic Steel Corp.
R3 Rhode Island Steel Corp.
R5 Roebling's Sons, John A.
R6 Rome Strip Steel Co.
R7 Rotary Electric Steel Co.
R8 RelianceDiv.,EatonMfg.
R9 Rome Mfg. Co.
R10 Rodney Metals Inc.

S1 Seneca Wire & Mfg. Co.
S3 Sharon Steel Corp.
S4 Sharon Tube Co.
S5 Sheffield Steel Div., Armco Steel Corp.
S6 Shenango Furnace Co.
S7 Simmons Co.
S8 Simonds Saw & Steel Co.
S12 Spencer Wire Corp.
S13 Standard Forgings Corp.
S14 Standard Tube Co.
S15 Stanley Works
S17 Superior Drawn Steel Co.
S18 Superior Steel Corp.
S19 Sweet's Steel Co.
S20 Southern States Steel
S23 Superior Tube Co.
S25 Stainless Welded Prod.
S26 Specialty Wire Co. Inc.
S30 Sierra Drawn Steel Corp.
S40 Seneca Steel Service

T2 Tenn. Coal & Iron Div., U. S. Steel Corp.
T3 Tenn. Prod. & Chem.
T4 Texas Steel Co.
T5 Thomas Strip Division, Pittsburgh Steel Co.
T6 Thompson Wire Co.
T7 Timken Roller Bearing
T9 Tonawanda Iron Div. Am. Rad. & Stan. San.
T13 Tube Methods Inc.

U4 Universal-Cyclops Steel
U5 United States Steel Corp.
U6 U. S. Pipe & Foundry
U7 Ulbrich Stainless Steels
U8 U. S. Steel Supply Div. U. S. Steel Corp.

V2 Vanadium-Alloys Steel
V3 Vulcan Crucible Division, H. K. Porter. Inc.

W1 Wallace Barnes Co.
W2 Wallingford Steel Co.
W3 Washburn Wire Co.
W4 Washington Steel Corp.
W6 Weirton Steel Co.
W7 W. Va. Steel&Mfg. Co.
W8 Western Automatic Machine Screw Co.
W9 Wheatland Tube Co.
W10 Wheeling Steel Corp.
W12 Wickwire Spencer Steel Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
W13 Wilson Steel & Wire Co.
W14 Wisconsin Steel Div., International Harvester
W15 Woodward Iron Co.
W18 Wyckoff Steel Co.
W19 Worcester Pressed Steel

Y1 Youngstown Sheet & Tube

## STRIP

**STRIP, Hot-Rolled Carbon**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ala.City,Ala.(27) R2 | 4.325 |
| Allenport,Pa. P7 | 4.325 |
| Alton,Ill. L1 | 4.50 |
| Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 | 4.325 |
| Atlanta A11 | 4.525 |
| Bessemer,Ala. T2 | 4.325 |
| Birmingham C15 | 4.825 |
| Bridgeport,Conn. N19 | 4.625 |
| Buffalo(27) R2 | 4.325 |
| Conshohocken,Pa. A3 | 4.375 |
| Detroit M1 | 4.425 |
| Ecorse,Mich. G5 | 4.425 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 4.325 |
| Fontana,Calif. K1 | 5.075 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 4.325 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 | 4.325 |
| Johnstown,Pa.(25) B2 | 4.325 |
| Lackaw'na,N.Y.(24) B2 | 4.325 |
| LosAngeles(25) B3 | 5.075 |
| Milton,Pa. M18 | 4.325 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 5.425 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 5.075 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 4.325 |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 4.55 |
| SanFrancisco S7 | 5.05 |
| Seattle(25) B3 | 5.325 |
| Seattle N14 | 5.40 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 4.325 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. W14 | 4.325 |
| S.SanFrancisco(25) B3 | 5.075 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 4.325 |
| Sterling(1) N15 | 4.325 |
| Sterling,Ill. N15 | 4.425 |
| Torrance,Calif. C11 | 5.075 |
| Warren,O. R2 | 4.325 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 4.325 |
| Youngstown U5 | 4.325 |

**STRIP, Hot-Rolled Alloy**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bridgeport,Conn. N19 | 7.50 |
| Carnegie,Pa. S18 | 7.20 |
| Fontana,Calif. K1 | 8.85 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 7.20 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 | 7.20 |
| LosAngeles B3 | 8.40 |
| Newport,Ky. N9 | 7.20 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 7.20 |
| S.Chicago W14 | 7.20 |
| Youngstown U5, Y1 | 7.20 |

**STRIP, Hot-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bessemer,Ala. T2 | 6.425 |
| Conshohocken,Pa. A3 | 6.425 |
| Ecorse,Mich. G5 | 6.525 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 6.425 |
| Fontana,Calif. K1 | 7.525 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 6.425 |
| Houston S5 | 6.675 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 | 6.425 |
| KansasCity,Mo. S5 | 6.675 |
| Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 | 6.425 |
| LosAngeles(25) B3 | 7.175 |
| Seattle(25) B3 | 7.425 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 6.425 |
| S.SanFrancisco(25) B3 | 7.175 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 6.425 |
| Warren,O. R2 | 6.425 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 6.425 |
| Youngstown U5, Y1 | 6.425 |

**STRIP, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 | 4.575 |

**STRIP, Cold-Rolled Carbon**

| | |
|---|---|
| Anderson,Ind. G6 | 6.25 |
| Baltimore T6 | 6.25 |
| Boston T6 | 6.80 |
| Buffalo S40 | 6.25 |
| Cleveland A7, J5 | 6.25 |
| Conshohocken,Pa. A3 | 6.30 |
| Dearborn,Mich. D3 | 6.35 |
| Detroit D2, M1, P20 | 6.35 |
| Dover,O. G6 | 6.25 |
| Ecorse,Mich. G5 | 6.35 |
| Follansbee,W.Va. F4 | 6.25 |
| Fontana,Calif. K1 | 8.00 |
| FranklinPark,Ill. T6 | 6.35 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 | 6.35 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 | 6.25 |
| Indianapolis C8 | 6.40 |
| Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 | 6.25 |
| LosAngeles C1 | 8.30 |
| NewBedford,Mass. R10 | 6.70 |
| NewBritain(10) S15 | 6.25 |
| NewCastle,Pa. B4, E5 | 6.25 |
| NewHaven,Conn. A7, D2 | 6.70 |
| NewKensington,Pa. A6 | 6.25 |
| Pawtucket,R.I. R3 | 6.90 |
| Pawtucket,R.I. N8 | 6.80 |
| Pittsburgh J5 | 6.25 |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 6.35 |
| Rome,N.Y.(32) R6 | 6.25 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 6.25 |
| SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 | 6.25 |
| Trenton,N.J.(31) R5 | 7.80 |
| Wallingford,Conn. W2 | 6.70 |
| Warren,O. R2, T5 | 6.25 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 6.25 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 6.80 |
| Youngstown C8, Y1 | 6.25 |

**STRIP, Cold-Rolled Alloy**

| | |
|---|---|
| Boston T6 | 13.80 |
| Carnegie,Pa. S18 | 13.45 |
| Cleveland A7 | 13.45 |
| Dover,O. G6 | 13.45 |
| FranklinPark,Ill. T6 | 13.45 |
| Harrison,N.J. C18 | 13.45 |
| Indianapolis C8 | 13.60 |
| Pawtucket,R.I. N8 | 13.80 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 13.45 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 13.75 |
| Youngstown C8 | 13.45 |

**STRIP, Cold-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleveland A7 | 9.10 |
| Dearborn,Mich. D3 | 9.20 |
| Dover,O. G6 | 9.30 |
| Ecorse,Mich. G5 | 9.20 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 | 9.30 |

**STRIP, Cold-Finished Spring Steel (Annealed)**

| | 0.26-0.40C | 0.41-0.60C | 0.61-0.80C | 0.81-1.05C | 1.06-1.35C |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Baltimore T6 | 7.40 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Boston T6 | 7.65 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Bristol,Conn. W1 | ... | ... | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Carnegie,Pa. S18 | ... | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | .... |
| Cleveland A7 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Cleveland C7 | ... | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Dearborn,Mich. D3 | 7.20 | 9.15 | 10.70 | .... | .... |
| Detroit D2 | 7.20 | 9.15 | 10.70 | 12.85 | .... |
| Dover,O. G6 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| FranklinPark,Ill. T6 | 7.20 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Harrison,N.J. C18 | ... | ... | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Indianapolis C8 | 7.25 | 9.20 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| NewBritain,Conn.(10) S15 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| NewCastle,Pa. B4, E5 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | .... |
| NewHaven,Conn. D2 | 7.55 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | .... |
| NewKensington,Pa. A6 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | .... | .... |
| NewYork W3 | ... | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Pawtucket,R.I. N8 | 7.65 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 7.20 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Rome,N.Y.(32) R6 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Trenton,N.J. R5 | ... | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Wallingford,Conn. W2 | 7.55 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Warren,O. T5 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7, T6 | 7.65 | 9.35 | 10.90 | 13.05 | 15.75 |
| Youngstown C8 | 7.10 | 9.05 | 10.60 | 12.75 | 15.45 |

**Spring Steel (Tempered)**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bristol,Conn. W1 | ... | ... | 14.80 | 18.15 | .... |
| Buffalo W12 | ... | ... | 14.80 | .... | .... |
| FranklinPark,Ill. T6 | ... | ... | 15.30 | 18.65 | 22.50 |
| Harrison,N.J. C18 | ... | ... | 14.80 | 18.15 | 22.00 |
| NewYork W3 | ... | ... | 14.80 | 18.15 | 22.00 |
| Trenton,N.J. R5 | ... | ... | 14.80 | 18.15 | 22.00 |
| Worcester,Mass. W12 | ... | ... | 14.80 | .... | .... |
| Worcester,Mass. A7, T6 | ... | ... | 14.80 | 18.15 | 22.00 |
| Youngstown C8 | ... | ... | 15.00 | 18.35 | 22.35 |

**STRIP, Galvanized (Continuous)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 6.55 |

**TIGHT COOPERAGE HOOP**

| | |
|---|---|
| Atlanta A11 | 5.05 |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 4.90 |
| Sharon,Pa. S3 | 4.75 |
| Youngstown U5 | 4.75 |

**STRIP, Electrogalvanized**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleveland A7 | 6.25* |
| Dover,O. G6 | 6.25* |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 6.35* |
| Youngstown C8 | 6.25* |
| Warren,O. T5 | 6.25* |
| Warren,O. B9 | 6.45* |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 5.75* |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 6.80* |

*Plus galvanizing extras.

## SILICON STEEL

| H.R. SHEETS(22 Ga., cut lengths) | Field | Armature | Electric | Motor | Dynamo |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BeechBottom,W.Va. W10 | ... | ... | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Brackenridge,Pa. A4 | ... | ... | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Mansfield,O. E6 | 8.40 | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Newport,Ky. N9 | 8.40 | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Niles,O. M21 | 8.40 | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | .... |
| Vandergrift,Pa. U5 | ... | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Warren,O. R2 | 8.40 | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |
| Zanesville,O. A10 | ... | 9.35 | 9.95 | 10.95 | 11.85 |

**C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS, (22 Ga.)**

| Fully Processed (Semiprocessed ½c lower) | Field | Armature | Electric | Motor | Dynamo |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brackenridge,Pa. A4 | .... | .... | 10.70 | 11.70 | 12.60 |
| GraniteCity,Ill. G4 | 8.50* | 9.80* | 10.40* | 11.40* | .... |
| IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2 | 8.60† | 9.60* | 10.20* | 11.20* | .... |
| Vandergrift,Pa. U5 | .... | 10.10† | 10.70† | 11.70† | 12.60† |
| Vandergrift,Pa. U5 | 8.60* | 9.60* | 10.20* | 11.20* | 12.10* |
| Warren,O. R2 | 8.60† | 10.10 | 10.70 | 11.70 | 12.60 |

| H.R. SHEETS (22 Ga., cut lengths) | Transformer Grade T-72 | T-65 | T-58 | T-52 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BeechBottom,W.Va. W10 | 12.80 | 13.35 | 13.85 | 14.55 |
| Brackenridge,Pa. A4 | 12.80 | .... | .... | .... |
| Newport,Ky. N9 | 12.80 | .... | .... | .... |
| Vandergrift,Pa. U5 | 12.80 | 13.35 | 13.85 | 14.55 |
| Zanesville,O. A10 | 12.80‡ | 13.35‡ | 13.85‡ | 14.55‡ |

| C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS (22 Ga.) | Grain Oriented T-100 | T-90 | T-80 | T-73 | T-66 | T-72 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brackenridge,Pa. A4 | .... | .... | 15.85 | 17.45 | 17.95 | 18.45 | 13.55** |
| Butler,Pa. A10 | .... | .... | .... | 17.45 | 17.95 | .... | .... |
| Vandergrift,Pa. U5 | .... | 14.85 | 15.85 | 17.45 | 17.95 | .... | 13.55 |
| Warren,O. R2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 13.55‡ |

*Semiprocessed. †Fully processed only. ‡Coils, annealed, semiprocessed ½c lower. §Coils, ¾-cent higher. **Cut lengths, ¾-cent lower.

## TIN MILL PRODUCTS

**TIN PLATE Electrolytic (Base Box)**

| | 0.25 lb | 0.50 lb | 0.75 lb |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | $7.90 | $8.15 | $8.55 |
| Dravosburg,Pa. U5 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 8.00 | 8.25 | 8.65 |
| Fairless,Pa. U5 | 8.00 | 8.25 | 8.65 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |
| GraniteCity,Ill. G4 | 8.00 | 8.25 | 8.65 |
| IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |
| Niles,O. R2 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 8.65 | 8.90 | 9.30 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 8.00 | 8.25 | 8.65 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |
| Yorkville,O. W10 | 7.90 | 8.15 | 8.55 |

**ELECTROTIN (22-27 Gage; Dollars per 100 lb)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 6.675 | .... | .... |
| Niles,O. R2 | 6.675 | 6.875 | 7.075 |

| TINPLATE, American Coke (Base Box) | 1.25 lb | 1.50 lb |
|---|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | $9.20 | $9.45 |
| Dravosburg,Pa. U5 | 9.20 | 9.45 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 9.30 | 9.55 |
| Fairless,Pa. U5 | 9.30 | 9.55 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 9.20 | 9.45 |
| Ind.Har. I-2, Y1 | 9.20 | 9.45 |
| Pitts.,Calif. C11 | 9.95 | 10.20 |
| Sp.Pt.,Md. B2 | 9.30 | 9.55 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 9.20 | 9.45 |
| Yorkville,O. W10 | 9.20 | 9.45 |

**BLACK PLATE (Base Box)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | $7.00 |
| Dravosburg,Pa. U5 | 7.00 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 7.10 |
| Fairless,Pa. U5 | 7.10 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 7.00 |
| GraniteCity,Ill. G4 | 7.10 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 | 7.00 |
| Niles,O. R2 | 7.00 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 7.75 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 7.10 |
| Warren,O. R2 | 7.00 |
| Weirton,W.Va. W6 | 7.00 |
| Yorkville,O. W10 | 7.00 |

**HOLLOWARE ENAMELING Black Plate (29 Gage)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Dravosburg,Pa. U5 | 6.65 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 6.65 |
| GraniteCity,Ill. G4 | 6.75 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 | 6.65 |
| Yorkville,O. W10 | 6.65 |

**MANUFACTURING TERNES (Special Coated; Base Box)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Dravosburg,Pa. U5 | $8.70 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 8.70 |
| Yorkville,O. W10 | 8.70 |

**MANUFACTURING TERNES (Light Coated, 6 lb; Base Box)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Yorkville,O. W10 | $9.15 |

**ROOFING SHORT TERNES (8 lb Coated; Base Box)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gary,Ind. U5 | $10.25 |

## WIRE

**WIRE, Manufacturers Bright, Low Carbon**

| | |
|---|---|
| AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 | 6.60 |
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 6.60 |
| Alton,Ill. L1 | 6.775 |
| Atlanta A11 | 6.80 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 6.35 |
| Buffalo W12 | 6.60 |
| Chicago W13 | 6.60 |
| Cleveland A7 | 6.60 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 6.70 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 6.60 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 6.60 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 6.60 |
| Fostoria,O.(24) S1 | 6.80 |
| Houston S5 | 6.85 |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M5 | 6.95 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 6.60 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 6.60 |
| KansasCity,Mo. S5 | 6.85 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 6.70 |
| LosAngeles B3 | 7.55 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 6.85 |
| Monessen,Pa. P7 | 6.60 |
| Newark 6-8 ga. I-1 | 6.90 |
| N.Tonawanda B11 | 6.60 |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 6.90 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 7.20 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 6.60 |
| Rankin,Pa. A7 | 6.60 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 6.60 |
| S.SanFrancisco C10 | 7.55 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 6.70 |
| Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 | 6.60 |
| Sterling,Ill. N15 | 6.70 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 6.60 |
| Waukegan,Ill. A7 | 6.60 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 6.90 |

**WIRE, MB Spring, High Carbon**

| | |
|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 7.90 |
| Alton,Ill. L1 | 8.075 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 8.00 |
| Buffalo W12 | 7.90 |
| Cleveland A7 | 7.90 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 7.90 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 7.90 |
| Fostoria,O. S1 | 7.95 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 7.90 |
| LosAngeles B3 | 8.85 |
| Millbury,Mass.(12) N6 | 8.20 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 8.15 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 7.90 |
| Muncie,Ind. I-7 | 8.10 |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 8.20 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 8.85 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 7.90 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 8.20 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 7.90 |
| S.SanFrancisco C10 | 8.85 |
| SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 | 8.00 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 7.90 |
| Trenton,N.J. A7 | 8.20 |
| Waukegan,Ill. A7 | 7.90 |
| Worcester A7,J4,T6,W12 | 8.20 |

**WIRE, Upholstery Spring**

| | |
|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 7.60 |
| Alton,Ill. L1 | 7.775 |
| Buffalo W12 | 7.60 |
| Cleveland A7 | 7.60 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 7.60 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 7.60 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 7.60 |
| KansasCity,Mo. S5 | 7.85 |
| LosAngeles B3 | 8.55 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 7.775 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 7.60 |
| NewHaven,Conn. A7 | 7.90 |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 7.90 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 8.55 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 7.60 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 7.90 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 7.60 |
| S.SanFrancisco C10 | 8.55 |
| SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 | 7.70 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 7.60 |
| Trenton,N.J. A7 | 7.90 |
| Waukegan,Ill. A7 | 7.60 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 7.90 |

**WIRE, Fine & Weaving (8"Coils)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Alton,Ill. L1 | 12.725 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 12.65 |
| Buffalo W12 | 12.55 |
| Chicago W13 | 12.55 |
| Cleveland A7 | 12.55 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 12.65 |
| Fostoria,O. S1 | 12.55 |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | 12.90 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 12.55 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 12.55 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 12.30 |
| Monessen,Pa. P6 | 12.55 |
| Muncie,Ind. I-7 | 12.75 |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 12.55 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 12.55 |
| S.SanFrancisco C10 | 12.90 |
| Waukegan,Ill. A7 | 12.55 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7,T6 | 12.55 |

**WIRE, Gal'd ACSR for Cores**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 10.70 |
| Buffalo W12 | 10.70 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 10.70 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 10.825 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 10.70 |
| Muncie,Ind. I-7 | 10.90 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 11.50 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 10.70 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 11.00 |
| SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 | 10.80 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 10.70 |

**ROPE WIRE (A)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 10.85 |
| Buffalo W12 | 10.55 |
| Fostoria,O. S1 | 10.55 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 10.55 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 10.55 |
| Muncie,Ind. I-7 | 10.75 |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 10.55 |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 10.55 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 10.55 |
| SparrowsPt. B2 | 10.45 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 10.55 |
| Worcester,Mass. J4 | 10.55 |

(A) Plow and Mild Plow; add 0.25c for Improved Plow.

## WIRE
(Continued)

**WIRE, Tire Bead**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 14.15 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 14.20 |
| Roebling,N.J. R5 | 14.35 |

**WIRE, Cold-Rolled Flat**

| | |
|---|---|
| Anderson,Ind. G6 | 9.00 |
| Baltimore T6 | 9.80 |
| Buffalo W12 | 9.00 |
| Cleveland A7 | 9.50 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 9.00 |
| Dover,O. G6 | 9.00 |
| Fostoria,O. S1 | 9.00 |
| Franklin Park,Ill. T6 | 9.60 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 9.00 |
| Massillon,O. R8 | 9.00 |
| Milwaukee C23 | 9.20 |
| Monessen,Pa. P16 | 9.00 |
| Pawtucket,R.I. N8 | 9.80 |
| Riverdale,Ill. A1 | 9.10 |
| Rome,N.Y. R6 | 9.00 |
| Trenton,N.J. R5 | 9.80 |
| Worcester A7, T6, W12 | 9.80 |

**NAIL, Stock**

| To Dealers & Mfrs. (7) | Col. |
|---|---|
| Alabama City,Ala. R2 | 152 |
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 152 |
| Atlanta A11 | 154 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 154 |
| Chicago,Ill. W13 | 152 |
| Cleveland A9 | 157 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 154 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 152 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 152 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 152 |
| Galveston,Tex. D7 | 157 |
| Houston,Tex. S5 | 157 |
| Jack'ville,Fla.(23) M8 | 162 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 152 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 152 |
| Kansas City,Mo. S5 | 157 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 154 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 157 |
| Monessen,Pa. P7 | 152 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 171 |
| Rankin,Pa. A7 | 152 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 152 |
| Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2 | 154 |
| Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 | 152 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 158 |

**NAILS, CUT (100 lb keg)**

| To Dealers (33) | |
|---|---|
| Conshohocken,Pa. A3 | $9.05 |
| Wheeling,W.Va. W10 | 9.05 |

**STAPLES, Polished Stock**

| To Dealers & Mfrs. (7) | Col. |
|---|---|
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | 152 |
| Atlanta A11 | 154 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 154 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 154 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 152 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 152 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 152 |
| Jack'ville,Fla.(23) M8 | 162 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 152 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 152 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 154 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 157 |
| Monessen,Pa. P7 | 152 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 171 |
| Rankin,Pa. A7 | 152 |
| Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2 | 154 |
| Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 | 152 |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 158 |

**TIE WIRE, Automatic Baler (14½ Ga.) (Per 97 lb Net Box)**

| Coil No. 3150 | |
|---|---|
| Alabama City,Ala. R2 | $9.35 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 9.45 |
| Buffalo W12 | 9.35 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 9.45 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 9.35 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 9.35 |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | 9.88 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 9.35 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 9.35 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 9.45 |
| Los Angeles B3 | 10.14 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 9.60 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 10.13 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 9.35 |
| Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2 | 9.45 |
| Sterling,Ill. N15 | 9.35 |

| Coil No. 6300 Stand. | |
|---|---|
| Alabama City,Ala. R2 | $9.65 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 9.75 |
| Buffalo W12 | 9.65 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 9.75 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 9.65 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 9.65 |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | 10.18 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B3 | 9.65 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 9.65 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 9.75 |
| Los Angeles B3 | 10.45 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 9.90 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 10.45 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 9.65 |
| Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2 | 9.75 |
| Sterling,Ill. N15 | 9.65 |

| Coil No. 6500 Interim | |
|---|---|
| Alabama City,Ala. R2 | $9.70 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | 9.80 |
| Buffalo W12 | 9.70 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | 9.80 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 9.70 |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 9.70 |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | 10.23 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 9.70 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 9.70 |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | 9.80 |
| Los Angeles B3 | 10.50 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 9.95 |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | 10.50 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 9.70 |
| Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2 | 9.80 |
| Sterling,Ill. N15 | 9.70 |

**WIRE, Barbed**

| | Col. |
|---|---|
| Alabama City,Ala. R2 | .175** |
| Aliquippa,Pa. J5 | .172‡ |
| Atlanta A11 | .181 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | .181 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | .181 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | .175† |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | .175† |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | .175† |
| Houston,Tex. S5 | .180** |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | .186 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | .179* |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | .175† |
| Kansas City,Mo. S5 | .180** |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | .177† |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | .180** |
| Monessen,Pa. P7 | .178†† |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | .195† |
| Rankin,Pa. A7 | .175† |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | .175** |
| S.San Francisco C10 | .195** |
| Sparrows Point,Md. B2 | .181* |
| Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 | .179†† |

**WOVEN Fence, 9-15 ga. Col.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ala.City,Ala. R2 | .162** |
| Ala.City, 17 ga. R2 | .257** |
| Ala.City, 18 ga. R2 | .267** |
| Allq'ppa,Pa.9-14½ga J5 | 165‡ |
| Atlanta A11 | .168 |
| Bartonville,Ill. K4 | .168 |
| Crawfordsville,Ind. M8 | .168 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | .162† |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | .162† |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | .162† |
| Houston,Tex. S5 | .167** |
| Jacksonville,Fla. M8 | .173 |
| Johnstown,Pa.(43) B2 | .166 |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | .162† |
| Kansas City,Mo. S5 | .167** |
| Kokomo,Ind. C16 | .164† |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | .167** |
| Monessen,Pa. 9 ga. P17 | 166†† |
| Pittsburg,Calif. C11 | .185† |
| Rankin,Pa. A7 | .162† |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | .162** |
| Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 | .166†† |

| WIRE (16 Gage) | An'ld Galv. Stone | Stone |
|---|---|---|
| Ala.City R2 | 14.50 | 16.05** |
| Bartonville K4 | 14.50 | 16.55 |
| Buffalo W12 | 14.50 | .... |
| Cleveland A7 | 14.50 | .... |
| Crawf'dsville M8 | 14.60 | 16.55 |
| Fostoria,O. S1 | 14.60 | 16.15† |
| Jacksonville M8 | 14.85 | 16.80 |
| Johnstown B2 | 14.50 | 16.40* |
| Kokomo C16 | 14.60 | 16.15† |
| Minnequa C10 | 14.75 | 16.45** |
| Palmer,Mass W12 | 14.50 | 16.05* |
| Pitts.,Calif. C11 | 14.85 | 16.40† |
| S.Chicago R2 | 14.50 | 16.05** |
| Sparrows Pt. B2 | 14.60 | 16.50* |
| Sterling(1) N15 | 14.50 | 16.45†† |
| Waukegan A7 | 14.50 | 16.05† |
| Worcester A7 | 14.80 | .... |

**WIRE, Merchant Quality**

| (6 to 8 gage) | An'ld Galv. |
|---|---|
| Ala.City,Ala. R2 | 7.40 7.80** |
| Aliquippa J5 | 7.40 7.925‡ |
| Atlanta A11 | 7.50 8.10 |
| Bartonville(48) K4 | 7.50 8.10 |
| Buffalo W12 | 7.40 8.80† |
| Cleveland A7 | 7.40 .... |
| Crawfordsville M8 | 7.50 8.10 |
| Donora,Pa. A7 | 7.40 7.80† |
| Duluth,Minn. A7 | 7.40 7.80† |
| Fairfield T2 | 7.40 7.80† |
| Houston(48) S5 | 7.65 8.05** |
| Jacks'ville,Fla. M8 | 7.75 8.35 |
| Johnstown B2(48) | 7.40 7.975* |
| Joliet,Ill. A7 | 7.40 7.80† |
| Kans.City(48) S5 | 7.65 8.05** |
| Kokomo C16 | 7.50 7.90† |
| Los Angeles B3 | 8.35 8.925* |
| Minnequa C10 | 7.65 8.05** |
| Monessen P7(48) | 7.40 8.00†† |
| Palmer,Mass. W12 | 7.70 8.10† |
| Pitts.,Calif. C11 | 8.35 8.75† |
| Portsmouth,O. P12 | 7.40 .... |
| Rankin A7 | 7.40 7.80† |
| S.Chicago R2 | 7.40 7.80** |
| S.S. 1Fran. C10 | 8.35 8.75** |
| Spar'wsPt.B2(48) | 7.50 8.075* |
| Str'ling(1)(48) N15 | 7.40 8.00†† |
| Struthers,O.(48) Y1 | 7.40 7.90‡ |
| Worcester,Mass. A7 | 7.70 .... |

*Based on 12.50c zinc; †5c zinc; ‡10c zinc; ‡Less than 10c zinc; **Subject to zinc equalization extras. ††13c zinc.

## FASTENERS

(Base discounts, full case quantity, per cent off list to consumer, f.o.b. mill)

**Carriage, Machine Bolts**

| Full-Size Body (cut thread) | |
|---|---|
| †⅛" x 6" and smaller | 61 |
| Larger than ⅛" diam. and all diams. longer than 6" | 55 |
| Under-Size Body (rolled thread; not nutted): | |
| ⅛" x 6" and smaller | 61 |

†1⅛" x 4" and smaller and shorter are not nutted.

**NUTS**

| | |
|---|---|
| Reg. & Heavy Square Nuts, all sizes | 61 |
| H. P. Reg. & Heavy Hex Nuts: | |
| ¾" & smaller | 64 |
| ⅞" & larger | 61 |
| C.P. Reg. & Heavy Hex Nuts | |
| ¾" & smaller | 64 |
| ⅞" & larger | 61 |
| Semifinished & Finished Nuts | |
| ¾" & smaller | 66 |
| ⅞" & larger | 63 |
| Semifinished Slotted Reg. & Heavy Hex Nuts | |
| ¾" & smaller | 66 |
| ⅞" & larger | 63 |
| Hot Galvanized Nuts, all types | |
| 1⅛" & smaller | 44 |

(On above items, add 25% for less than case quantities)

**CAP SCREWS**
(New Std., hexagon head, upset, packages)

| Bright: | |
|---|---|
| 6" and shorter: | |
| ¼" through ½" diam. | 34 |
| ⅝" & ⅝" diam. | 31 |
| ¾", ⅞", 1" | 8 |
| Longer than 6" | |
| ¼" through ⅝" diam. | 3 |
| ¾" through 1" diam. | +13 |
| High Carbon, Heat-treated: | |
| 6" and shorter: | |
| ¼" through ½" diam. | 20 |
| ⅝" & ⅝" diam. | 16 |
| ¾", ⅞", 1" | +11 |
| Longer than 6" | |
| ¼" through ⅝" diam. | +23 |
| ¾" through 1" diam. | +41 |

(New Std. Hexagon head, upset, bulk)

| Bright: | |
|---|---|
| ⅛" x 6" & smaller & shorter | 49 |
| ⅛" & ⅝" diam. x 6" & shorter | 48 |
| ¾", ⅞", 1" x 6" & shorter | 31 |
| High Carbon, Heat-treated: | |
| ⅛" x 6" & smaller & shorter | 41 |
| ⅛" x ⅝" diam. & 6" & shorter | 39 |
| ¾", ⅞", 1" x 6" & shorter | 20 |

**MACHINE SCREW NUTS & STOVE BOLT NUTS (Bulk)**

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 2 to ⅜" incl., Square: | |
| 25,000 to 199,999 pieces | 29 |
| 200,000 or more pieces | 27 |
| No. 2 to ⅜" incl., Hex.: | |
| 25,000 to 199,999 pieces | 18 |
| 200,000 or more pieces | 25 |

**MACHINE SCREWS, SLOTTED (Bulk)**

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 2 to ¼" diam. incl.: | |
| 25,000 to 199,999 pieces | 20 |
| 200,000 or more pieces | 27 |
| ⅛" to ½" diam. incl.: | |
| 15,000 to 99,999 pieces | 20 |
| 100,000 or more | 27 |

## BOILER TUBES

Net base c.l. prices, dollars per 100 ft, mill; minimum wall thickness, cut lengths 10 to 24 ft, inclusive.

| O.D. In. | B.W. Gage | Seamless H.R. | Seamless C.D. | Elec. Weld H.R. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 13 | .... | 21.06 | 20.42 |
| 1¼ | 13 | .... | 24.94 | 20.45 |
| 1½ | 13 | 23.31 | 27.37 | 22.61 |
| 1¾ | 13 | 27.54 | 32.57 | 26.71 |
| 2 | 13 | 30.87 | 36.51 | 29.93 |
| 2¼ | 13 | 34.77 | 41.12 | 33.72 |
| 2½ | 12 | 37.73 | 44.65 | 36.60 |
| 2¾ | 12 | 41.57 | 49.16 | 40.31 |
| 2¾ | 12 | 45.00 | 53.22 | 43.65 |
| 3 | 12 | 47.99 | 56.76 | 46.55 |

## RAILWAY MATERIALS

| | Standard No. 1 | Standard No. 2 | Toe Rails All | Toe Rails 60 lb Under |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **RAILS** | | | | |
| Bessemer,Pa. U5 | 4.725 | 4.625 | 4.675 | 5.65 |
| Ensley,Ala. T2 | 4.725 | 4.625 | .... | 5.65 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | .... | .... | .... | 5.65 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 4.725 | 4.625 | 4.675 | .... |
| Huntington,W.Va. W7 | .... | .... | .... | 5.65 |
| Indiana Harbor,Ind. I-2 | 4.725 | 4.625 | 4.675 | .... |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | .... | .... | ...(16) | 5.65 |
| Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 | .... | .... | ...(16) | 5.65 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 4.725 | 4.625 | .... | 6.15 |
| Steelton,Pa. B2 | 4.725 | 4.625 | .... | .... |
| Williamsport,Pa. S19 | .... | .... | .... | 5.65 |

**TIE PLATES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | .5.625 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | .5.625 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 | .5.625 |
| Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 | .5.625 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | .5.625 |
| Seattle B3 | .5.775 |
| Steelton,Pa. B2 | .5.625 |
| Torrance,Calif. C11 | .5.775 |

**TRACK BOLTS (20) Treated**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleveland R2 | 12.90 |
| Kansas City,Mo. S5 | 12.90 |
| Lebanon,Pa. B2 | 12.15* |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 12.15* |
| Pittsburgh O3, P14 | 12.15* |
| Seattle B3 | 12.65* |

*Untreated

**AXLES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. S13 | 7.25 |
| Johnstown,Pa. B2 | 7.50 |

**JOINT BARS**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bessemer,Pa. U5 | .5.825 |
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | .5.825 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 | .5.825 |
| Joliet,Ill. U5 | .5.825 |
| Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 | .5.825 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | .5.825 |
| Steelton,Pa. B2 | .5.825 |

**SCREW SPIKES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleveland R2 | 11.90 |
| Pittsburgh O3 | 11.90 |

**STANDARD TRACK SPIKES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Fairfield,Ala. T2 | 7.90 |
| Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 | 7.90 |
| Kansas City,Mo. S5 | 7.90 |
| Lebanon,Pa. B2 | 7.90 |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 7.90 |
| Pittsburgh J5 | 7.90 |
| Seattle B3 | 8.40 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. R2 | 7.90 |
| Struthers,O. Y1 | 7.90 |
| Youngstown R2 | 7.90 |

## METAL POWDER

(Per pound f.o.b. shipping point in ton lots for minus 100 mesh, except as noted)

| | Cents |
|---|---|
| Sponge iron: | |
| 98+% Fe, annealed | 9.25 |
| Swedish, c.i.f. Camden, N. J., e.l. in bags | 9.50 |
| Domestic, f.o.b., Johnstown, Pa., Riverton, N.J., Niagara Falls, N.Y., in bags | 9.50 |
| Canadian, f.o.b. shipping point | 9.50 |
| Electrolytic iron: | |
| Melting stock, 99.9% Fe, irregular fragments of ⅛ in. x 1.3 in. | 22.00 |
| Annealed, 99.5% Fe. | 36.50 |
| Unannealed (99+% Fe) | 34.00 |
| Unannealed (99+% Fe) (minus 325 mesh) | 57.00 |
| Powder Flakes (minus 16, plus 100 mesh) | 31.00 |
| Carbonyl Iron: | |
| *98.1-99.9%, 3 to 20 microns, depending on grade, $6.00-275.00, in standard 200-lb. containers; all minus 200 mesh.* | |
| Aluminum: | |
| Atomized, 500 lb. drum frght. allowed | |
| Carlots | 34.50 |
| Ton lots | 36.50 |
| Antimony, 500 lb lots | 32.00* |
| Brass, 5000-lb lots | 39.75-55.00† |
| Bronze, 5000-lb lots | 66.50-70.75† |
| Copper: | |
| Electrolytic | 14.25* |
| Reduced | 14.25* |
| Lead | 7.50* |
| Manganese: | |
| Minus 35 mesh | 64.00 |
| Minus 100 mesh | 70.00 |
| Minus 200 mesh | 75.00 |
| Nickel, unannealed | $1.00 |
| Nickel-Silver, 5000-lb lots | 61.75-64.25† |
| *Phosphor-Copper, 5000-lb lots* | *68.75* |
| Silicon | 47.50 |
| Solder | 7.00* |
| Stainless Steel, 302 | 99.00 |
| Stainless Steel, 316 | $1.32 |
| Tin | 14.50* |
| Zinc 5000-lb lots | 19.25-33.00‡ |
| Tungsten | Dollars |
| Melting grade, 99% 60 to 200 mesh: | |
| 1000 lb and over | 4.50 |
| Less than 1000 lb. | 4.65 |
| Chromium, electrolytic 99.8% Cr min, metallic basis | 5.00 |

*Plus cost of metal. †Depending on composition. ‡Depending on mesh. †70% Cu, 20% Zn, 10% Ni. **64% Cu, 18% Zn, 18% Ni.

## Footnotes

(1) Chicago Base.
(2) Angles, flats, bands.
(3) Merchant.
(4) Reinforcing.
(5) 1¼-in. to less than 1 7/16-in.
(6) Chicago or Birm. base.
(7) To jobbers, 3 cols. lower.
(8) 16 Ga. and heavier.
(9) Merchant quality; add 0.25c for special quality.
(10) Pittsburgh base.
(11) Cleveland & Pitts. base.
(12) Worcester, Mass., base.
(13) Add 0.25c for 17 Ga. & heavier.
(14) Gage 0.143 to 0.249 in.; for gage 0.142 and lighter, 5.80c.
(15) ⅝" and thinner.
(16) 40 lb and under
(17) Flats only; 0.25 in. & heavier.
(18) To dealers.
(19) Chicago & Pitts. base.
(20) 0.25 off for untreated.
(21) New Haven, Conn., base.
(22) Dsld. San Francisco Bay area.
(23) Plus 4c per 100 lb.
(24) Deduct 0.10c, finer than 15 Ga.
(25) Bar mill basis.
(26) Delivered in mill zone, 5.25c.
(27) Bar mill sizes.
(28) Bonderized.
(29) Youngstown base.
(30) Sheared; for universal mill and 0.45c for carbon, add 0.40c for alloy and 0.45c H.S.-L.A.
(31) Widths over ⅝-in.; 0.90c for widths ⅝-in. and under by 0.125 in. and thinner.
(32) Buffalo base.
(33) To jobbers, deduct 20c.
(34) 9.60c for cut lengths.
(35) 72" and narrower.
(36) 54" and narrower.
(37) 13 Ga. & heavier; 60" & narrower.
(38) 14 Ga. & lighter; 48" & narrower.
(39) 48" and narrower.
(40) Lighter than 0.035"; 0.035" and heavier, 0.25c higher.
(41) 9.10c for cut lengths.
(42) Mill lengths, f.o.b. mill; deld. in mill zone or within switching limits, 5.25c.
(43) 9-14½ Ga.
(48) 6-7 Ga.
(49) 3½-in. and smaller rounds; 7.95c over 3½-in. and other shapes.

## SEAMLESS STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

| Size—Inches | 2 | | 2½ | | 3 | | 3½ | | 4 | | 5 | | 6 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| List Per Ft | 37c | | 58.5c | | 76.5c | | 92c | | $1.09 | | $1.48 | | $1.92 | |
| Pounds Per Ft | 3.68 | | 5.82 | | 7.62 | | 9.20 | | 10.89 | | 14.81 | | 19.18 | |
| | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* |
| Aliquippa, Pa. J5 | 6.5 | +11.5 | 10.5 | +8.25 | 13 | +5.75 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14 | +4.75 | 16.5 | +2.25 |
| Ambridge, Pa. N2 | 6.5 | .. | 10.5 | ... | 13 | ... | 14.5 | ... | 14.5 | ... | 14 | ... | 16.5 | ... |
| Lorain, O. N3 | 6.5 | +11.5 | 10.5 | +8.25 | 13 | +5.75 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14 | +4.75 | 16.5 | +2.25 |
| Youngstown Y1 | 6.5 | +11.5 | 10.5 | +8.25 | 13 | +5.75 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14 | +4.75 | 16.5 | +2.25 |

## ELECTRIC WELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Youngstown R2 | 6.5 | +11.5 | 10.5 | +8.25 | 13 | +5.75 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14.5 | +4.25 | 14 | +4.75 | 16.5 | +2.25 |

## BUTTWELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

| Sizes—Inches | ⅛ | | ¼ | | ⅜ | | ½ | | ¾ | | 1 | | 1¼ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| List Per Ft | 5.5c | | 6c | | 6c | | 8.5c | | 11.5c | | 17c | | 23c | |
| Pounds Per Ft | 0.24 | | 0.42 | | 0.57 | | 0.85 | | 1.12 | | 1.68 | | 2.28 | |
| | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* |
| Aliquippa, Pa. J5 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Alton, Ill. L1 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 16.5 | +2.75 | 19.5 | 1.25 | 22 | 4.75 | 24.5 | 6.5 |
| Benwood, W. Va. W10 | 17.5 | +13 | 9 | +18.5 | +0.75 | +28.5 | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Butler, Pa. F6 | 18 | +12.5 | 9.5 | +18 | 1.5 | +26 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Etna, Pa. N2 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Fairless, Pa. N3 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 16.5 | +2.75 | 19.5 | 1.25 | 22 | 4.75 | 24.5 | 6.5 |
| Fontana, Calif. K1 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 7 | +12.25 | 10 | +8.25 | 12.5 | +4.75 | 15 | +3 |
| Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 17.5 | +1.75 | 20.5 | 2.25 | 23 | 5.75 | 25.5 | 7.5 |
| Lorain, O. N3 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Sharon, Pa. S4 | 18 | +12.5 | 9.5 | +18 | 1.5 | +26 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Sharon, Pa. M6 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Sparrows Pt., Md. B2 | 16 | +12.5 | 7.5 | +18 | +0.5 | +25 | 16.5 | +0.75 | 19.5 | 3.25 | 22 | 6.75 | 24.5 | 8 |
| Youngstown R2, Y1 | ... | ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |
| Wheatland, Pa. W9 | 18 | +12.5 | 9.5 | +18 | 1.5 | +26 | 18.5 | +0.75 | 21.5 | 3.25 | 24 | 6.75 | 26.5 | 8.5 |

| Size—Inches | 1¼ | | 2 | | 2½ | | 3 | | 3½ | | 4 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| List Per Ft | 27.5c | | 37c | | 58.5c | | 76.5c | | 92c | | $1.09 | |
| Pounds Per Ft | 2.73 | | 3.68 | | 5.82 | | 7.62 | | 9.20 | | 10.89 | |
| | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* | Blk | Galv* |
| Aliquippa, Pa. J5 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | .... | ... | .... | ... |
| Alton, Ill. L1 | 25 | 7.5 | 25.5 | 8 | 27 | 8.75 | 27 | 8.75 | .... | ... | .... | ... |
| Benwood, W. Va. W10 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 |
| Etna, Pa. N2 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 |
| Fairless, Pa. N3 | 25 | 7.5 | 25.5 | 8 | 27 | 8.75 | 27 | 8.75 | 17.5 | +1.25 | 17.5 | +1.25 |
| Fontana, Calif. K1 | 15.5 | +2 | 16 | +1.5 | 17.5 | +0.75 | 17.5 | +0.75 | 8 | +10.75 | 8 | +10.75 |
| Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1 | 26 | 8.5 | 26.5 | 9 | 28 | 9.75 | 28 | 9.75 | 18.5 | +0.25 | 18.5 | +0.25 |
| Lorain, O. N3 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | .... | ... | .... | ... |
| Sharon, Pa. M6 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | .... | ... | .... | ... |
| Sparrows Pt., Md. B2 | 25 | 9 | 25.5 | 9.5 | 27 | 9.75 | 27 | 9.75 | 17.5 | +0.25 | 17.5 | +0.25 |
| Youngstown R2, Y1 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 |
| Wheatland, Pa. W9 | 27 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 10 | 29 | 10.75 | 29 | 10.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 | 19.5 | 0.75 |

*Galvanized pipe discounts based on current price of zinc (13.50c, East St. Louis).

# Stainless Steel

Representative prices, cents per pound; subject to current lists of extras

| AISI Type | Rerolling Ingot | Rerolling Slabs | Forging Billets | Seamless Tube Billets | H.R. Strip | Wire Rods; C.F. Wire | Bars; Structural Shapes | Plates | Sheets | C.R. Strip; Flat Wire |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 201 | 18.50 | 23.00 | .... | .... | 31.00 | .... | .... | .... | 42.25 | 39.00 |
| 202 | 19.75 | 25.50 | 31.00 | 36.25 | 33.50 | .... | 36.75 | 38.75 | 42.50 | 42.50 |
| 301 | 19.25 | 23.75 | .... | 36.75 | 32.00 | 36.00 | 38.00 | .... | 44.25 | 41.00 |
| 302 | 20.50 | 26.25 | 32.00 | 37.25 | 34.50 | 36.25 | 38.25 | 40.25 | 44.50 | 44.50 |
| 302B | 20.25 | 26.50 | 33.00 | 37.25 | 37.75 | 36.25 | 38.25 | 40.25 | 47.00 | 47.00 |
| 303 | .... | 26.75 | 34.75 | 40.00 | .... | 39.00 | 41.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| 304 | 21.75 | 27.50 | 33.75 | 39.00 | 37.25 | 38.25 | 40.25 | 43.00 | 47.25 | 47.25 |
| 304L | .... | .... | 35.75 | 44.00 | 42.25 | 43.25 | 45.25 | 48.00 | 52.25 | 52.25 |
| 305 | 23.25 | 30.25 | .... | 39.50 | 40.25 | 38.25 | 40.25 | 43.50 | 50.25 | 50.25 |
| 308 | 23.50 | 30.50 | 38.50 | 44.25 | 41.25 | 43.25 | 45.50 | 49.75 | 52.00 | 52.00 |
| 309 | 31.00 | 39.75 | 46.75 | 53.50 | 53.50 | 52.00 | 54.75 | 58.25 | 67.00 | 67.00 |
| 310 | 37.25 | 48.00 | 62.25 | 72.25 | 68.50 | 69.75 | 73.50 | 75.25 | 78.75 | 78.75 |
| 314 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 69.75 | .... | 75.25 | .... | .... |
| 316 | 31.50 | 40.25 | 51.25 | 59.50 | 58.25 | 57.75 | 60.75 | 64.00 | 68.25 | 68.25 |
| 316L | .... | .... | 56.25 | 64.50 | 63.25 | 62.75 | 65.75 | 69.00 | 73.25 | 73.25 |
| 317 | 37.25 | 48.25 | 62.75 | 72.75 | 73.50 | 70.75 | 74.50 | 77.00 | 83.75 | 83.75 |
| 321 | 25.00 | 32.00 | 38.25 | 44.00 | 44.25 | 43.00 | 45.25 | 49.25 | 54.25 | 54.25 |
| 18-8CbTa | 29.25 | 38.00 | 45.75 | 52.25 | 53.25 | 50.75 | 53.50 | 58.00 | 66.50 | 66.50 |
| 403 | .... | .... | 28.75 | 32.75 | .... | 32.25 | 34.00 | 36.25 | .... | .... |
| 405 | 17.50 | 23.00 | 26.75 | 31.00 | 32.25 | 30.50 | 32.00 | 33.75 | 42.25 | 42.25 |
| 410 | 15.00 | 19.50 | 25.50 | 29.50 | 28.00 | 29.00 | 30.50 | 31.75 | 36.25 | 36.25 |
| 416 | .... | .... | 26.00 | 30.00 | .... | 29.50 | 31.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| 420 | .... | 30.25 | 31.00 | 36.00 | 37.75 | 35.50 | 37.25 | 40.75 | 56.00 | 56.00 |
| 430 | 15.25 | 19.75 | 26.00 | 30.00 | 28.75 | 29.50 | 31.00 | 32.25 | 36.75 | 36.75 |
| 430F | .... | .... | 26.50 | 30.50 | .... | 30.00 | 31.50 | .... | .... | .... |
| 431 | .... | 25.50 | 33.25 | .... | .... | 37.25 | 39.25 | 40.75 | .... | .... |
| 446 | .... | .... | 35.50 | 40.50 | 53.25 | 40.00 | 42.00 | 43.25 | 63.25 | 63.25 |

**Stainless Steel Producers Are:** Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.; Alloy Metal Wire Co. Inc.; Alloy Tube Div., Carpenter Steel Co.; American Steel & Wire Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Armco Steel Corp.; Babcock & Wilcox Co.; Bethlehem Steel Co.; J. Bishop & Co.; G. O. Carlson Inc.; Carpenter Steel Co.; Charter Wire Products Co.; Cold Metal Products Co.; Crucible Steel Co. of America; Damascus Tube Co.; Wilbur B. Driver Co.; Driver-Harris Co.; Eastern Stainless Steel Corp.; Ellwood Ivins Steel Tube Works Inc.; Firth Sterling Inc.; Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.; Globe Steel Tubes Co.; Helical Tube Co.; Indiana Steel & Wire Co.; Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.; Jessop Steel Co.; Johnson Steel & Wire Co. Inc.; Joslyn Mfg. & Supply Co.; Kenmore Metals Corp.; Maryland Fine & Specialty Wire Co.; McLouth Steel Corp.; Metal Forming Corp.; McInnes Steel Co.; National-Standard Co.; National Tube Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Newman-Crosby Steel Co.; Pacific Tube Co.; Page Steel & Tube Div., American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.; Pittsburgh Rolling Mills Inc.; Republic Steel Corp.; Rodney Metals Inc.; Rome Mfg. Co.; Rotary Electric Steel Co.; Sharon Steel Corp.; Sawhill Tubular Products Inc.; Simonds Saw & Steel Co., Specialty Wire Co. Inc.; Spencer Wire Corp.; Stainless Welded Products Inc.; Standard Tube Co.; Superior Steel Corp.; Superior Tube Co.; Timken Roller Bearing Co.; Trent Tube Co.; Tube Methods Inc.; Ulbrich Stainless Steels; United States Steel Corp.; Universal-Cyclops Steel Co.; Wallingford Steel Co.; Washington Steel Corp.

# Clad Steel

| | Plates, Carbon Base 10% | Plates, Carbon Base 20% | Sheets, Carbon Base 20% |
|---|---|---|---|
| 302 | .... | .... | 30.50 |
| 304 | 30.30 | 36.05 | 32.50 |
| 304-L | 32.30 | 37.95 | .... |
| 310 | 41.30 | 47.00 | .... |
| 316 | 35.50 | 41.40 | 47.00 |
| 316-L | 40.00 | 46.10 | .... |
| 316-CB | 41.15 | 48.45 | .... |
| 321 | 32.00 | 37.75 | 37.25 |
| 347 | 34.40 | 41.40 | 48.25 |
| 405 | 25.80 | 33.35 | .... |
| 410 | 25.30 | 32.85 | .... |
| 430 | 25.30 | 32.85 | .... |
| Inconel | 49.45 | 65.45 | .... |
| Nickel | 41.05 | 55.65 | .... |
| Nickel, Low Carbon | 43.25 | 60.05 | .... |
| Monel | 42.35 | 56.35 | .... |
| Copper* | .... | .... | 46.00 |

| | Strip, Carbon Base, Cold Rolled, 10% | Strip, Carbon Base, Cold Rolled, Both Sides |
|---|---|---|
| Copper* | 30.00 | 38.00 |

*Deoxidized. Production points: Stainless-clad sheets, New Castle, Ind. I-4; stainless-clad plates, Claymont, Del. C22, Coatesville, Pa. L7, New Castle, Ind. I-4 and Washington, Pa. J3; nickel, inconel, monel-clad plates, Coatesville L7; copper-clad strip, Carnegie, Pa. S18.

# Tool Steel

| Grade | $ per lb | Grade | $ per lb |
|---|---|---|---|
| Regular Carbon | 0.275 | 5% Cr Hot Work | 0.430-0.460 |
| Extra Carbon | 0.330 | W-Cr Hot Work | 0.450 |
| Special Carbon | 0.390 | V-Cr Hot Work | 0.470 |
| Oil Hardening | 0.430 | Hi-Carbon-Cr | 0.770 |

Grade by Analysis (%)

| W | Cr | V | Co | Mo | $ per lb |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 20.25 | 4.25 | 1.6 | 12.25 | ... | 4.000 |
| 18.25 | 4.25 | 1 | 4.75 | ... | 2.305-2.475 |
| 18 | 4 | 2 | 9 | ... | 2.675-2.675 |
| 18 | 4 | 2 | .... | ... | 1.765 |
| 18 | 4 | 1 | .... | ... | 1.600 |
| 13.75 | 3.75 | 2 | 5 | ... | 2.245 |
| 13.5 | 4 | 3 | .... | ... | 1.865 |
| 9 | 3.5 | .. | .... | ... | 1.180 |
| 6 | 4 | 2 | .... | 5 | 1.105 |
| 6 | 4 | 3 | .... | 6 | 1.350 |
| 1.5 | 4 | 1 | .... | 8.5 | 0.960 |

Tool steel producers include: A4, A8, B2, B8, C4, C9, C13, C15, D4, F2, J3, M14, S8, U4, V2 and V3.

# Pig Iron

F.o.b. furnace prices in dollars per gross ton, as reported to STEEL. Minimum delivered prices are approximate and do not include 3% federal tax.

| *Birmingham District* | Basic | No. 2 Foundry | Malleable | Bessemer |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 | 54.50 | .... | .... | .... |
| Birmingham R2 | 54.50 | 55.00‡ | .... | .... |
| Birmingham U6 | .... | 55.00‡ | 59.00 | .... |
| Woodward,Ala. W15 | 54.50 | 55.00‡ | 59.00 | .... |
| Cincinnati, deld. | .... | 62.70 | .... | .... |
| ***Buffalo District*** | | | | |
| Buffalo H1, R2 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.50 | 60.00 |
| Tonawanda,N.Y. W12 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.50 | 60.00 |
| N.Tonawanda, N.Y. T9 | .... | 59.00 | 59.50 | 60.00 |
| Boston, deld. | 69.15 | 69.65 | 70.15 | .... |
| Rochester,N.Y. deld. | 61.52 | 62.02 | 62.52 | .... |
| Syracuse,N.Y. deld. | 62.62 | 63.12 | 63.62 | .... |
| ***Chicago District*** | | | | |
| Chicago I-3 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Gary,Ind. U5 | 58.50 | .... | 59.00 | .... |
| S.Chicago R2 | 58.50 | .... | 59.00 | .... |
| S.Chicago,Ill. Y1 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| S.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 | 58.50 | .... | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Milwaukee, deld. | 60.67 | 61.17 | 61.17 | 61.17 |
| Muskegon,Mich. deld. | .... | 65.30 | 65.30 | .... |
| ***Cleveland District*** | | | | |
| Cleveland A7, R2 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Akron,O., deld. | 61.25 | 61.75 | 61.75 | 62.25 |
| Lorain,O. N3 | 58.50 | .... | .... | 59.50 |
| ***Mid-Atlantic District*** | | | | |
| Bethlehem,Pa. B2 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | 62.00 |
| NewYork, deld. | .... | 64.78 | 65.28 | .... |
| Newark, deld. | 63.52 | 64.02 | 64.52 | 65.02 |
| Birdsboro,Pa. B10 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | 62.00 |
| Chester,Pa. P14 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | .... |
| Philadelphia, deld. | 62.16 | 62.66 | 63.16 | .... |
| Steelton,Pa. B2 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | 62.00 |
| Swedeland,Pa. A3 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | 62.00 |
| Philadelphia, deld. | 62.16 | 62.66 | 63.16 | 63.66 |
| Troy,N.Y. R2 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | 62.00 |
| ***Pittsburgh District*** | | | | |
| NevilleIsland,Pa. P6 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | .... |
| Pittsburgh (N&S sides), Aliquippa, deld. | .... | 60.37 | 60.37 | 60.87 |
| McKeesRocks, deld. | .... | 60.04 | 60.04 | 60.54 |
| Lawrenceville,Homestead, Wilmerding, Monaca, deld. | .... | 60.66 | 60.66 | 61.16 |
| Verona,Trafford, deld. | 60.69 | 61.19 | 61.19 | 61.69 |
| Brackenridge, deld. | 60.95 | 61.45 | 61.45 | 61.95 |
| Bessemer,Pa. U5 | 58.50 | .... | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Clairton,Rankin,S.Duquesne,Pa. U5. | 58.50 | .... | .... | .... |
| McKeesport,Pa. N3 | 58.50 | .... | .... | 59.50 |
| Midland,Pa. C18 | 58.50 | .... | .... | .... |

| *Youngstown District* | Basic | No. 2 Foundry | Malleable | Bessemer |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hubbard,O. Y1 | .... | .... | 59.00 | .... |
| Sharpsville,Pa. S6 | 58.50 | .... | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Youngstown Y1 | .... | .... | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Youngstown U5 | 58.50 | .... | .... | 59.50 |
| Mansfield,O., deld. | 63.40 | .... | 63.90 | 64.40 |
| Duluth I-3 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Erie,Pa. I-3 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Everett,Mass. E1 | 62.00 | 62.50 | 63.00 | .... |
| Fontana,Calif. K1 | 64.50 | 65.00 | .... | .... |
| Geneva,Utah C11 | 58.50 | 59.00 | .... | .... |
| GraniteCity,Ill. G4 | 60.40 | 60.90 | 61.40 | .... |
| Ironton,Utah C11 | 58.50 | 59.00 | .... | .... |
| LoneStar,Texas L6 | .... | 55.00* | .... | .... |
| Minnequa,Colo. C10 | 60.50 | 61.00 | 61.50 | .... |
| Rockwood,Tenn. T3 | .... | 55.00‡ | 59.00 | .... |
| Toledo,O. I-3 | 58.50 | 59.00 | 59.00 | 59.50 |
| Cincinnati, deld. | 64.26 | 64.76 | .... | .... |

*Phos. 0.51-0.75%; $56, Phos. 0.31-0.50%.
‡Intermediate (Phos. 0.31-0.69%), $56.

## PIG IRON DIFFERENTIALS

*Silicon:* Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.25% Si or percentage thereof over base grade, 1.75-2.25%, except on low phos iron on which base is 1.75-2.00%.

*Manganese:* Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.50% manganese over 1% or portion thereof.

*Nickel:* Under 0.05% no extra; 0.50-0.74%, inclusive, add $2 per ton and each additional 0.25%, add $1 per ton.

## BLAST FURNACE SILVERY PIG IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 6.00-6.50% silicon; add $1.25 for each 0.5% Si; 75 cents for each 0.50% Mn over 1%)

| | |
|---|---|
| Jackson,O. G2, J1 | $67.50 |
| Buffalo H1 | 68.75 |

## ELECTRIC FURNACE SILVERY IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 14.01-14.50% silicon; add $1 for each 0.5% Si to 18%; $1 for each 0.50% Mn over 1%; $2 per gross ton premium for 0.045% max P)

| | |
|---|---|
| NiagaraFalls,N.Y. P15 | $91.00 |
| Keokuk,Iowa, (Open-hearth & Fdry, freight allowed K2) | 95.50 |
| Keokuk, O.H. & Fdry, 12½ lb pigiets, 16% Si, frgt allowed K2 | 98.50 |

## LOW PHOSPHORUS PIG IRON, Gross Ton

| | |
|---|---|
| Lyles,Tenn. T3 (Phos. 0.035% max) | $72.50 |
| Rockwood,Tenn. T3 (Phos. 0.035% max) | 72.50 |
| Steelton,Pa. B2 (Phos. 0.035% max) | 66.50 |
| Philadelphia, deld. | 70.05 |
| Troy,N.Y. R2 (Phos. 0.035% max) | 66.50 |
| Cleveland A7 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max) | 63.50 |
| Duluth I-3 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max) | 63.50 |
| Erie,Pa. I-3 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max | 63.50 |
| Pittsburgh P6 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max) | 63.50 |

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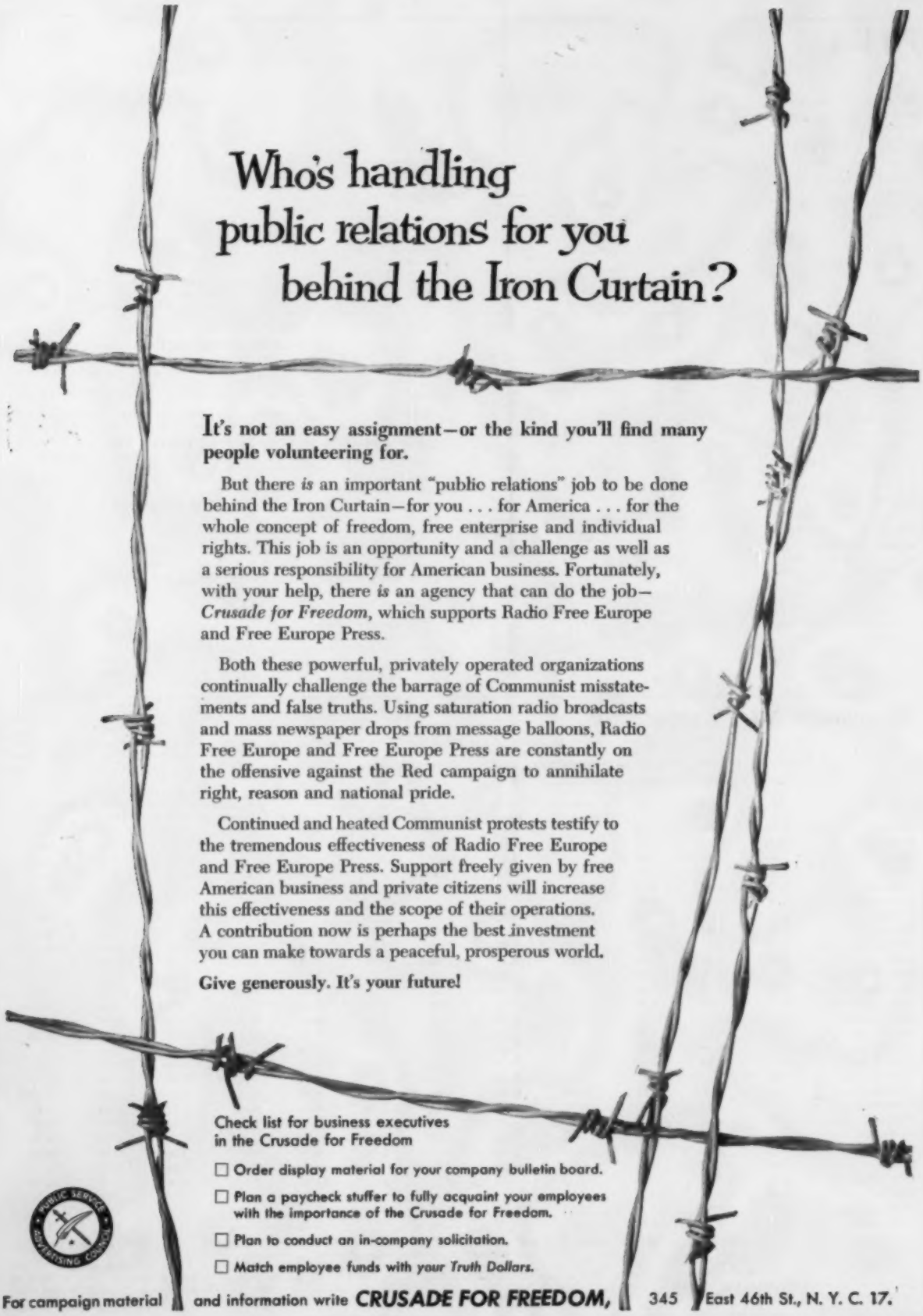
| | SHEETS | | | | STRIP | BARS | | | | Standard Structural Shapes | PLATES | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Hot-Rolled | Cold-Rolled | Gal. 10 Ga.† | Stainless Type 302 | Hot-Rolled* | H.R. Merchant Qual. | H.R. Spec. Qual. | C.F. Rds.‡ | H.R. Alloy 4140††[2] | | Carbon | Floor |
| Atlanta | 7.14 | 8.20 | 8.87 | .... | 7.40 | 7.42 | ... | 9.39 | .... | 7.63 | 7.49 | 9.48 |
| Baltimore | 7.21 | 8.32 | 8.50 | .... | 7.91 | 7.53 | ... | 8.62[3] | 13.49 | 7.93 | 7.21 | 8.96 |
| Birmingham | 7.00 | 8.24 | 8.85 | .... | 7.21 | 7.27 | 7.80 | 9.35 | .... | 7.43 | 7.14 | 9.34 |
| Boston | 7.88 | 8.81 | 10.27 | 53.32 | 7.96 | 7.87 | 8.40 | 9.67 | 13.50 | 8.13 | 8.20 | 9.47 |
| Buffalo | 7.05 | 8.25 | 10.01 | .... | 7.35 | 7.35 | 8.20 | 7.90 | 13.35 | 7.60 | 7.35 | 8.90 |
| Chattanooga | 7.28 | 8.44 | 8.60 | .... | 7.36 | 7.42 | 7.95 | 9.18 | .... | 7.43 | 7.45 | 9.32 |
| Chicago | 7.13 | 8.24 | 9.10 | 46.75 | 7.21 | 7.27 | 7.80 | 7.75 | 13.05 | 7.43 | 7.45 | 8.61 |
| Cincinnati | 7.12 | 8.23 | 9.10 | 46.10 | 7.45 | 7.51 | 8.04 | 8.15 | 13.29 | 7.90 | 7.43 | 8.86 |
| Cleveland | 7.13 | 8.24 | 8.95 | 49.16 | 7.31 | 7.33 | 7.86 | 8.00 | 13.11 | 7.76 | 7.62 | 8.75 |
| Detroit | 7.19 | 8.43 | 9.38 | 43.50 | 7.49 | 7.55 | 8.08 | 8.04 | 13.26 | 7.90 | 7.42 | 8.80 |
| Erie, Pa. | 7.06 | 8.24 | 8.95[10] | .... | 7.31 | 7.38 | ... | 8.10[10] | .... | 7.65 | 7.30 | 8.79 |
| Houston | 7.85 | 8.75 | 10.49 | .... | 8.15 | 8.25 | ... | 9.85 | 14.00 | 8.20 | 7.80 | 9.20 |
| Jackson, Miss. | 7.44 | 8.50 | 9.20 | .... | 7.42 | 7.57 | 8.10 | 9.44 | .... | 7.73 | 7.75 | 9.39 |
| Los Angeles | 8.50 | 10.00 | 11.00 | 51.50 | 8.35 | 8.15 | 8.70 | 10.90 | 14.35 | 8.30 | 8.75 | 10.85 |
| Milwaukee | 7.22 | 8.33 | 9.19 | .... | 7.30 | 7.36 | 7.89 | 7.94 | 13.14 | 7.60 | 7.54 | 8.70 |
| Moline, Ill. | 7.15 | 8.44 | 8.85 | .... | 7.41 | 7.42 | ... | 8.10 | .... | 7.63 | 7.34 | ... |
| New York | 7.61 | 8.84 | 9.59 | 47.57 | 8.17 | 8.11 | 8.66 | 9.72 | 13.43 | 8.09 | 7.86 | 9.29 |
| Norfolk, Va. | 7.25 | ... | ... | .... | 7.65 | 7.65 | ... | 9.50 | .... | 7.95 | 7.45 | 8.95 |
| Philadelphia | 7.32 | 8.42 | 9.37 | 45.98 | 7.93 | 7.68 | 8.21 | 8.46 | 13.21 | 7.74 | 7.68 | 8.80** |
| Pittsburgh | 7.13 | 8.24 | 9.40 | 49.00 | 7.21 | 7.27 | 7.80 | 8.00 | 13.05 | 7.43 | 7.45 | 8.61 |
| Portland, Oreg. | 7.80 | 8.80 | 10.65 | .... | 8.00 | 7.95 | ... | 12.20 | 15.00 | 7.85 | 7.75 | 9.60 |
| Richmond, Va. | 7.25 | ... | 9.49 | .... | 7.85 | 7.85 | 8.38 | 9.50 | .... | 8.10 | 7.50 | 9.35 |
| St. Louis | 7.42 | 8.53 | 9.69 | 43.89 | 7.50 | 7.56 | 8.09 | 8.29 | 13.34 | 7.83 | 7.74 | 8.90 |
| St. Paul | 7.46 | 8.50 | 9.16 | .... | 7.72 | 7.74 | ... | 8.51 | 13.51 | 7.94 | 7.65 | 9.12 |
| San Francisco | 8.10 | 9.65 | 10.15 | 51.65 | 8.35 | 8.10 | 8.65 | 11.40 | 14.30[9] | 8.20 | 8.00 | 10.20 |
| Seattle | 8.65 | 10.40 | 10.80 | 54.00 | 8.90 | 8.60 | 9.15 | 12.10 | 14.65 | 8.40 | 8.40 | 10.65 |
| Spokane | 8.65 | 11.00[7] | 10.80 | .... | 8.90 | 8.60 | 9.15 | 12.10 | 15.40 | 8.40 | 8.40 | 10.60 |
| Washington | 7.59 | 8.70 | 7.97 | .... | 8.12 | 8.06 | ... | 9.09 | .... | 8.51 | 7.91 | 9.36 |

*Prices do not include gage extras; †prices include gage and coating extras (based on 13.50-cent zinc), except in Birmingham (coating extra excluded); ‡includes 35-cent special bar quality extras; **⅛-in. and heavier; ††as annealed; ‡‡under ¼-in.

Base quantities, 2000 to 4999 lb except as noted; Cold-rolled strip and cold-finished bars, 2000 lb and over except in Seattle, 2000 to 9999 lb, and in Los Angeles, 6000 lb and over; stainless sheets, 8000 lb except in Chicago, New York and Boston, 10,000 lb, and in San Francisco, 2000 to 4999 lb; hot-rolled products on West Coast, 2000 to 9999 lb; [3]—500 to 9999 lb; [4]—400 to 999 lb; [5]—4000 lb and over; [6]—1000 to 1999 lb; [7]—1000 lb and over; [8]—1500 to 3999 lb; [9]—2000 to 3999 lb; [10]—f.o.b. local delivery in lots of 10,000 lb and over; [12]—2000 lb and over.



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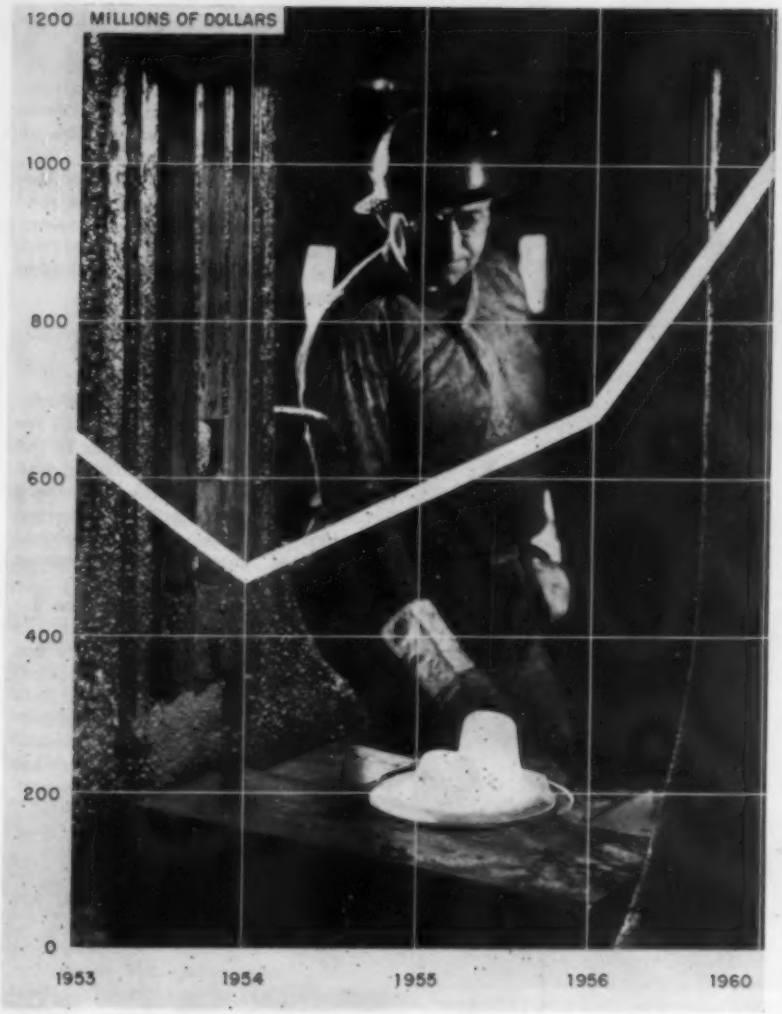



Source: Drop Forging Association—1956 and 1960 estimated

# Drop Forgers Set Goal

## Industry looks for record dollar volume in 1956. By 1960, it hopes to be in the $1-billion class. Emphasis on research will help it reach that level

"THIS could be the top year for our industry despite cutbacks in automotive requirements," says Charles W. Stone, president of the Drop Forging Association, Lansing, Mich. That would make it a most unusual year. Automakers normally take 60 per cent of the industry's output.

Mr. Stone figures it this way: Even though automotive use is down, it will still represent a sizable tonnage. In addition, there will be strong demand from construction equipment builders, oil producers, railroads, mining equipment builders, agricultural machinery manufacturers and others. In the aggregate, this demand could offset a lag in auto requirements and possibly even increase over-all tonnage. He also feels that, in relation to competitive products in recent years, forgings have come out on top. He sees no reason why this should not continue.

**Depends on Steel**—Last year's volume was limited by the shortage of steel. This year, steel supply still will be tight, but Mr. Stone does not anticipate quite the same stringency as in 1955. Shipments of drop forgings last year were 1,023,000 tons, compared with 833,000 tons in 1954 and 1,152,000 tons in 1953. The shipment record, 1,174,000 tons, was racked up in 1951, while the dollar record belongs to 1953 (see chart).

Edgar L. Harden, executive vice president of the association, says the industry is shooting for a new record of $674 million in sales this year. He further expects the industry to be in the $1-billion class by 1960. The association, which has 101 members and accounts for about 85 per cent of the industry's business, currently is turning its effort to more and better research. The country generally has increased its expenditures for industrial research from $900 million to about $5 billion in the last 15 years, with about 95 per cent going into applied research and the remainder into fundamental research. "The drop forging industry has not devoted as much of its resources to research as some other allied industries," Mr. Harden says. "But by 1960, drop forgers will have stepped up their activities to at least a parity with others in the metal fabrication field, on the basis of relative resources."

## Plates . . .

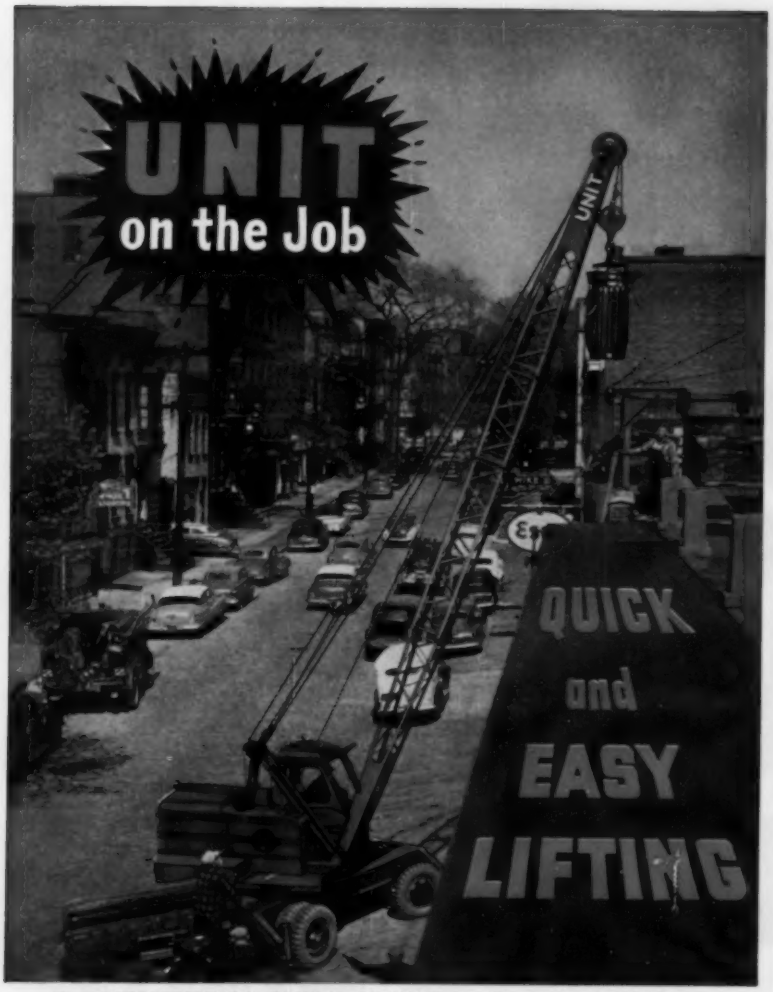
Plate Prices, Page 146

Ship demand for plates is beginning to be felt. Eastern shipyards are stepping up their requirements noticeably and are finding supplies scarce. Their needs are expected to expand throughout the year.

This means that the tight supply situation in the plate market will intensify, if anything, as the weeks pass. Currently, the shortage of plates is hampering activity in a number of areas. A major producer of large diameter electricweld tubes has had to cut its production because of the lack of plates.

Also, it's reported freight car manufacturing is not meeting railroad requirements. Some plate mills are concentrating on production for the emergency needs of the carriers, thus making it more difficult for construction companies to obtain tonnage. The result is many fabricators are trying to fill their needs at the warehouse level.

Bridge fabricating shops in the East need plates to maintain operating schedules. Tank builders' order volume is showing a seasonal increase. While heavy shipments of overdue tonnage has helped the fabricators, their new orders for light gage plates are restricted to established quotas for second quarter. Rated or defense-connected tonnage demand is heavier, notably for clad plates. This class of order is estimated to be running up to as much

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In New England, two oil refining plants, at Tiverton and Portsmouth, R. I., will be started this year. Tank farms, it is reported, will require at least 10,000 tons of plates.

The Pressed Steel Division of Republic Steel Corp. will build 144 specially designed railroad car covers for the Nickel Plate. This is the largest order of its kind ever received by Republic.

## Steel Bars . . .

Bar Prices, Page 146

The automakers are giving no indication of what tonnage they will require in second quarter. Sales to the auto builders have been declining over the past month but the barmakers think this trend will be reversed shortly when the expected seasonal upturn in auto business becomes evident.

Currently, commercial steel bar demand is a shade easier than it was some time back, but the mills are still behind on commitments. Requirements for the heavier sizes of flats and rounds are fairly active. In hot-rolled alloy bars, excepting nickel-bearing, the situation is somewhat reversed. Demand is not active, particularly for the larger sizes.

Cold-finished carbon bars are moving well. Hot-bar deliveries to the converters are improved. Cold-finished alloy bars, however, are not under pressure.

In New England, while some preliminary bar orders for early May shipment are being received for 1957 auto model schedules, current demand from area forge shops is off. Orders for screw machine products are holding up well.

## Sheets, Strip . . .

Sheet & Strip Prices, Pages 147 & 148

The market on galvanized sheets is fairly well saturated. Sales will rise in the second quarter with the usual increases in construction applications.

Cutbacks by the automotive industry have eased pressure somewhat on cold-rolled sheets. The demand for this product is roughly in balance with supply.

Some customers in other lines, less concerned about future supply than they were, are not taking all the tonnage offered by regular suppliers for April. They are the exception, and in no instance has there been a question as to producers being able to dispose of rejected tonnage. Producers can apply it to arrearages, if nowhere else, and most of them prefer to do so.

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ond quarter with arrearages. For instance, one large mill in the East will have reduced arrearages on hot and cold-rolled sheets by half by the end of this quarter, but the mill still will have a carry-over of at least one month. It's doubtful that all second quarter demand for sheet and strip will be met. Hot-rolled sheet producers will have trouble filling orders already on the books for the next two months.

Opinion is mixed in the Chicago area as to whether automobile manufacturers will be taking their full quotas of cold-rolled sheets in May and June. One company which had canceled some of its April tonnage sought to reinstate the order. The attempt was not successful since this tonnage had been allotted to other consumers.

## Fasteners . . .

Bolt, Nut, Rivet Prices, Page 149

Fastener manufacturers report their sales to the automotive industry are noticeably down. With bolts, nuts, rivets, etc., in good supply, there's little incentive for the auto buyers to order for stock at this time. Meanwhile, other classes of consumers are continuing to buy fasteners in substantial volume. Sales are expected to increase by the end of March for construction and farm applications.

## Imported Steel Prices Firm

Except for merchant bars, which are off 30 cents per hundredweight, and wire rods, which are up 15 cents, prices on imported steel from western continental Europe are unchanged. The steadiness in the market reflects continued tight supply conditions abroad rather than sustained inquiry here.

Deliveries are too far extended for substantial buying by consumers on this side. Deliveries of bar size angles and hot-rolled sheets are a little easier at three to four months. Structural angles and wide flange beams are available in six to seven months. Plates can be had within four to six months, but, with prices around $8.50 per hundredweight at Atlantic and southern ports, these deliveries are not attracting much buying, despite the shortage of American plates.

Severe cold weather in Europe has slowed production to some extent.

## Warehouse . . .

Warehouse Prices, Page 151

Users of plate and structural shapes are beginning to depend on warehouses as their main source of supply, but distributors have extreme difficulty obtaining these products. Strip and hot-rolled sheet are also tight, but warehouses are offering improved service in delivery of galvanized and cold-finished sheet. Some small bar sizes are extremely tight, while there's a loosening in supply of larger bars.

Leading distributors in the Philadelphia district declare they could use any surplus of hot and cold-rolled sheet tonnage that is floating around. They admit the tonnage probably would go to manufacturers first. They say their quotas on these products, as well as plates, shapes and hot carbon bars, haven't been boosted one iota by the mills. Their bookings are still limited by their mill intake.

With the active construction season beginning soon, demand will increase steadily through April. Fabricators are watching the labor situation closely; some may start accumulating inventories early in the second quarter against the possibility of curtailed steel production at midyear.

Some distributors in the Los Angeles district complain that larger mills

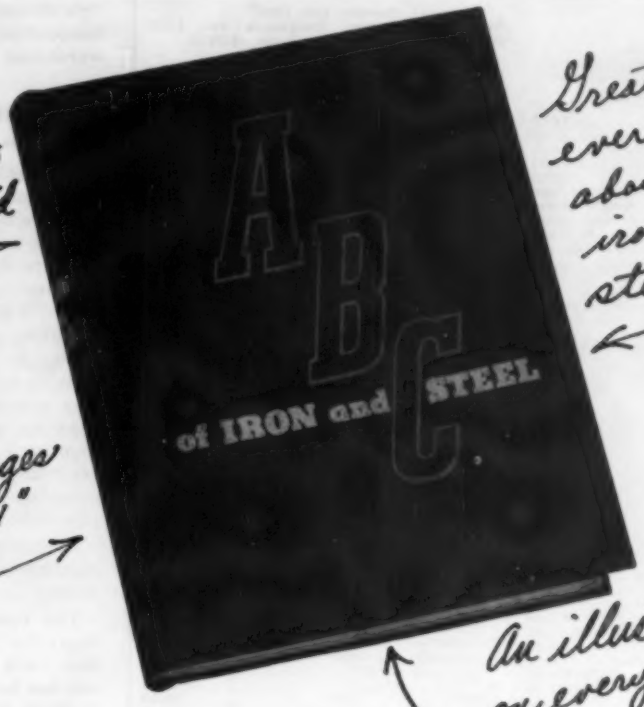
## Steel Import Prices

(Base per 100 lb, landed, duty paid. Source of shipment: Western continental European countries)

| | North Atlantic | South Atlantic | Gulf Coast | West Coast |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deformed Bars, Intermediate, ASTM-A-305 | $6.80 | $6.80 | $6.80 | $7.20 |
| Bar Size Angles | 6.80 | 6.80 | 6.80 | 7.20 |
| Structural Angles | 6.80 | 6.80 | 6.80 | 7.20 |
| I-Beams | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.40 |
| Wide Flange Beams | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.40 |
| Plates | 8.50 | 8.50 | 8.50 | 8.90 |
| Sheets, H.R. | 9.00 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 9.40 |
| Furring Channels, C.R., 1000 ft, ⅞ x 0.50 lb per ft | 28.43 | 28.43 | 28.43 | 30.26 |
| Barbed Wire (†) | 6.10 | 6.10 | 6.10 | 6.45 |
| *Merchant Bars* | *6.80* | *6.80* | *6.80* | *7.20* |
| Hot-Rolled Bands | 7.10* | 7.10* | 7.10* | 7.50* |
| *Wire Rods, Thomas Commercial No. 5* | *6.40* | *6.40* | *6.40* | *6.80* |
| *Wire Rods, O-H Cold Heading Quality No. 5* | *6.90* | *6.90* | *6.90* | *7.30* |
| Bright Common Wire Nails | 7.50 | 7.50 | 7.50 | 7.90 |

Oil Country Pipe: Prices on all sizes equalized with Pittsburgh plus barge freight to New Orleans and Houston, where available.

*Nominal. †Per 52-lb. net, reel. ‡Per 100-lb kegs, 20d nails and heavier.

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# Ores

**Lake Superior Iron Ore**

(Prices effective for the 1956 shipping season, gross ton, 51.50% iron natural, rail of vessel, lower lake ports)

| | |
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| Old range bessemer | $11.25 |
| Old range nonbessemer | 11.10 |
| Mesabi bessemer | 11.00 |
| Mesabi nonbessemer | 10.85 |
| Open-hearth lump | 12.10 |
| High phos. | 10.85 |

The foregoing prices are based on upper lake rail freight rates, lake vessel freight rates, handling and unloading charges, and taxes thereon, which were in effect Dec. 1, 1955, and increases or decreases after such date are for seller's account.

**Eastern Local Iron Ore**

Cents per unit, deld. E. Pa.

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| Foundry and basic 52-62% concentrates contract | 17.00-18.00 |

**Foreign Iron Ore**

Cents per unit, c.i.f. Atlantic ports

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| Swedish basic, 60-68% | 20.00 |
| N. African hematite (spot) | nom. 18.00-20.00 |
| Brazilian iron ore, 68-69% (spot) | 26.00-28.00 |

**Tungsten Ore**

Net ton unit, before duty

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| Foreign, wolframite, good commercial quality | $34.00-$34.50 |
| Domestic, scheelite, mine | 63.00 |

**Manganese Ore**

Mn 48%, nearby, $1.06-$1.11 per long ton unit, c.i.f. U. S. ports, duty for buyer's account; 46-47%, 95c-$1.00.

**Chrome Ore**

Gross ton, f.o.b. cars New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston, S. C., plus ocean freight differential for delivery to Portland, Oreg., Tacoma, Wash.

*Indian and African*

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| 48% 2.8:1 | nom. $45.00-$50.00 |
| 48% 3:1 | 42.00-44.00 |
| 48% no ratio | 34.00 |

*South African Transvaal*

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| 44% no ratio | $19.00-$20.00 |
| 48% no ratio | 33.00-35.00 |

*Domestic*

Rail nearest seller

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| 18% 3:1 | $39.00 |

**Molybdenum**

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| *Sulphide concentrate, per lb of Mo content, mines, unpacked* | *$1.10* |

**Antimony Ore**

Per unit of Sb content, c.i.f. seaboard

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| 55-60% | $3.60-$3.85 |
| 60-65% | 3.85-4.00 |

**Vanadium Ore**

Cents per lb $V_2O_5$ content, deld. mills

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| Domestic | 31.00 |

# Refractories

**Fire Clay Brick (per 1000)**

*High-Heat Duty:* Ashland, Grahn, Hayward, Hitchins, Haldeman, Olive Hill, Ky., Athens, Troup, Tex., Beech Creek, Clearfield, Curwensville, Lock Haven, Lumber, Orviston, West Decatur, Pa., Bessemer, Ala., Farber, Mexico, St. Louis, Vandalia, Mo., Ironton, Oak Hill, Parral, Portsmouth, O., Ottawa, Ill., Stevens Pottery, Ga., $122; Salina, Pa., $127; Niles, O., $133.

*Super-Duty:* Ironton, O., St. Louis, $150

**Silica Brick (per 1000)**

*Standard:* Alexandria, Claysburg, Mt. Union, Sproul, Pa., Ensley, Ala., Portsmouth, O., Hawstone, Pa., $128; Warren, Niles, O., Hays, Pa., $133; Morrisville, Pa., $131.50; E. Chicago, Ind., Joliet, Rockdale, Ill., $138; Lehigh, Utah, $144; Los Angeles, $151.

*Super Duty:* Hays, Sproul, Hawstone, Pa., Warren, Windham, O., Athens, Tex., $145; Morrisville, Pa., Niles, O., $148; Joliet, Ill., $151; Curtner, Calif., $163.

**Semisilica Brick (per 1000)**

Clearfield, Pa., $139; Philadelphia, $124; Woodbridge, N. J., $122.

**Ladle Brick (per 1000)**

*Dry Pressed:* Alsey, Ill., Chester, New Cumberland, W. Va., Freeport, Johnstown, Merrill Station, Pa., Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., $88.50; Wellsville, O., $92.50; Clearfield, Pa., Portsmouth, O., $98.

**High-Alumina Brick (per 1000)**

*50 Per Cent:* St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., $194; Danville, Ill., $197; Philadelphia, Clearfield, Pa., $201.

*60 Per Cent:* St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., $241; Danville, Ill., $244; Philadelphia, Clearfield, Pa., $248.

*70 Per Cent:* St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., $279; Danville, Ill., $281; Clearfield, Pa., Philadelphia, $286.

**Sleeves (per 1000)**

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., $157; Clearfield, Pa., $158.50; St. Louis, $169.30.

**Nozzles (per 1000)**

Reesdale, Pa., $253.70; Johnstown, Pa., $259.20; Clearfield, Pa., $259.40; St. Louis, $259.45; Bridgeburg, Pa., $258.

**Runners (per 1000)**

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., $196; Clearfield, Pa., $198; St. Louis, $195.80.

**Dolomite (per net ton)**

Domestic, dead-burned bulk, Billmeyer, Blue Bell, Williams, Plymouth Meeting, York, Pa., Millville, W. Va., Bettsville, Millersville, Martin, Woodville, O., Gibsonburg, Narlo, O., $15; Thornton, McCook, Ill., $15.60; Dolly Siding, Bonne Terre, Mo., $14.

**Magnesite (per net ton)**

Domestic, dead-burned, bulk, ½-in. grains with fines: Chewelah, Wash., $40; Luning, Nev., $40. ⅝-in. grains with fines: Baltimore, $66.40.

# Metallurgical Coke

Price per net ton

**Beehive Ovens**

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| Connellsville, furnace | $13.75-14.50 |
| Connellsville, foundry | 16.00-17.00 |

**Oven Foundry Coke**

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| Birmingham, ovens | $25.65 |
| Cincinnati, deld. | 30.58 |
| Buffalo, ovens | 27.50 |
| Buffalo, deld. | 28.75 |
| Camden, N. J., ovens | 26.50 |
| Chicago, ovens | 27.00 |
| Chicago, deld. | 28.50 |
| Detroit, ovens | 27.50 |
| Detroit, deld. | 28.50 |
| Pontiac, deld. | 29.06 |
| Saginaw, deld. | 30.58 |
| Erie, Pa., ovens | 27.50 |
| Everett, Mass., ovens | |
| New England, deld. | *28.55 |
| Indianapolis, ovens | 26.75 |
| Kearny, N. J., ovens | 26.75 |
| Lone Star, Tex., ovens | 19.50 |
| Milwaukee, ovens | 27.50 |
| Neville Island, (Pittsburgh) Pa., ovens | 26.25 |
| Painesville, O., ovens | 27.50 |
| Cleveland, deld. | 29.43 |
| Philadelphia, ovens | 26.50 |
| Portsmouth, O., ovens | 24.75 |
| Cincinnati, deld. | 27.34 |
| St. Paul, ovens | 26.50 |
| Swedeland, Pa., ovens | 26.50 |
| Terre Haute, Ind., ovens | 26.75 |

*Or within $4.55 freight zone from works.

# Coal Chemicals

**Spot, cents per gallon, ovens**

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| Pure benzene | 36.00 |
| Toluene, one deg. | 32.00-34.00 |
| Industrial xylene | 32.00-35.00 |

Per ton, bulk, ovens

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| Ammonium sulphate | $42-$45 |
| Birmingham area | 42.00† |

†With port equalization against imports.

Cents per pound, producing point

Phenol: Grade 1, 15.00; Grade 2-3, 14.50; Grade 4, 16.50; Grade 5, 15.25.

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|---|---|---|
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| 2½ | 30 | 33.75 |
| 3 | 40 | 32.00 |
| 4 | 40 | 30.25 |
| 5½ | 40 | 30.00 |
| 6 | 60 | 27.25 |
| 7 | 60 | 26.75 |
| 8, 9, 10 | 60 | 24.25 |
| 12 | 72 | 27.25 |
| 14 | 60 | 23.50 |
| 16 | 72 | 22.50 |
| 17 | 60 | 23.00 |
| 18 | 72 | 22.50 |
| 20 | 72 | 22.25 |

**CARBON**

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| 8 | 60 | 12.10 |
| 10 | 60 | 11.80 |
| 12 | 60 | 11.75 |
| 14 | 60 | 11.70 |
| 14 | 72 | 10.85 |
| 17 | 60 | 10.75 |
| 17 | 72 | 10.35 |
| 20 | 84 | 10.30 |
| 20 | 90 | 10.10 |
| 24 | 72, 84 | 10.30 |
| 24 | 96 | 10.05 |
| 30 | 84 | 10.20 |
| 40, 35 | 110 | 9.90 |
| 40 | 100 | 9.90 |

are increasing their operations in the "warehouse sphere of influence." The competition threatens to undercut warehouse prices, they say.

## Tubular Goods . . .

**Tubular Goods Prices, Page 150**

Buttweld pipe is available for nearby shipment, but deliveries of lapweld are well extended. One mill has nothing to offer before June. Seamless pipe deliveries extend much further and appear limited only by what the mills are willing to schedule.

Line pipe production has been slowed by a shortage of semifinished steel. Order books are bulging, bookings assuring capacity mill operations for the next 18 months. In oil country goods, second quarter books are filling rapidly. Some buyers complain of a shortage of high-alloy pipe capacity.

Second quarter books are filling in seamless specialties and mechanical tubing.

The first shipment of pipe (1300 tons) for the West Coast Transmission Co.'s natural gas line in Canada has been received from the South Durham Steel & Iron Co., Stockton-on-Tees, England. The entire order involves 90,000 tons of fabricated 40-in. pipe.

Alloy Fabricators, division of the California Alloy Products Co., Los Angeles, has opened a pipe and tube fabricating shop equipped to make short runs on special pipe sizes.

## Pig Iron . . .

**Pig Iron Prices, Page 151**

Automotive foundries are melting less iron than they did in the fourth quarter and have reduced their receipts of pig iron accordingly. Foundries making castings for the machine tool and other industries are ordering steadily.

Pig iron sellers have comfortable order backlogs and are looking for a satisfactory volume of business in the second quarter. This appraisal is based in part on the fact that gray iron foundries generally are operating between 85 and 100 per cent of capacity.

Some hedge buying against a price increase and a possible interruption of blast furnace operations due to labor trouble at midyear is reported. Supply of merchant pig iron appears adequate.

Republic Steel Corp. has withdrawn its published price on No. 2 foundry iron at its Alabama City, Ala., furnace, which now is on basic. The company continues to quote the

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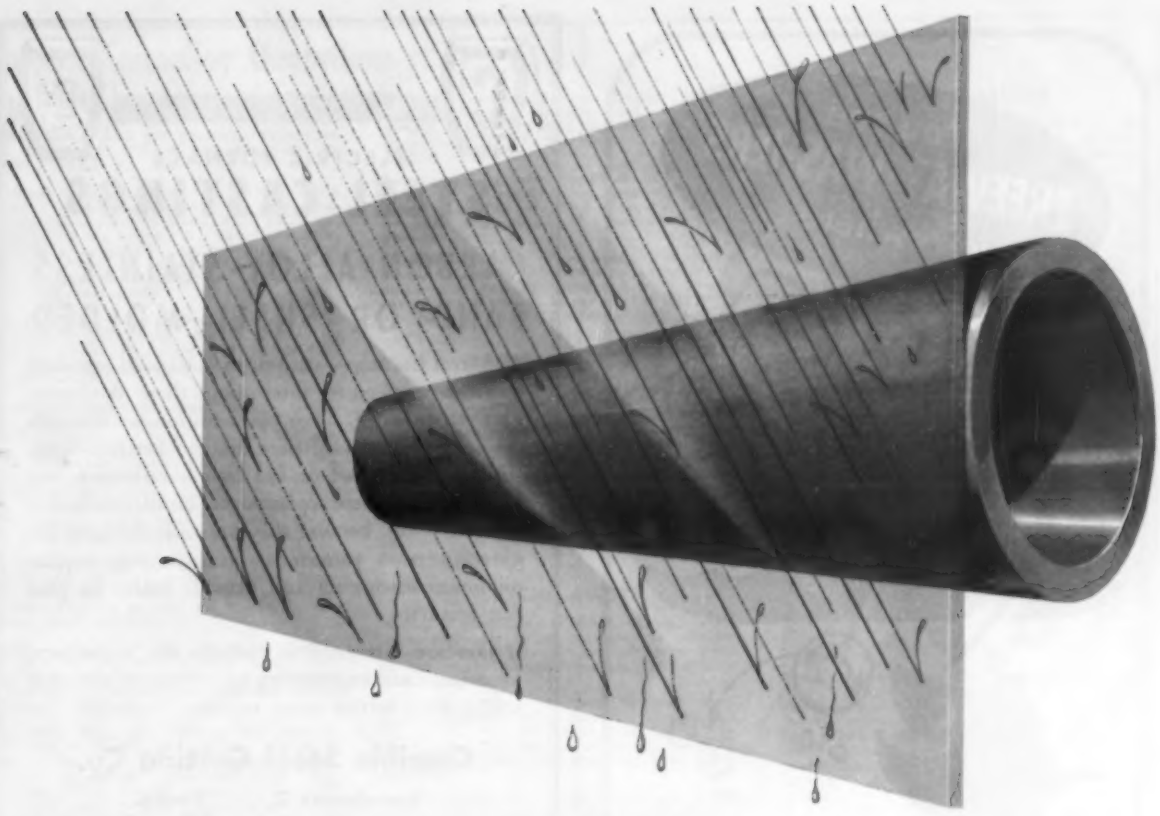

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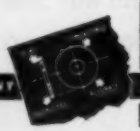

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## MANGANESE ALLOYS

**Spiegeleisen:** Carlot, per gross ton, Palmerton, Pa. 21-23% Mn, $94; 19-21% Mn, 1-3% Si, $91.50; 16-19% Mn, $89.50.

**Standard Ferromanganese:** (Mn 74-76%, C 7% approx.) Base price per net ton $206. Duquesne, Johnstown, Sheridan, Pa.; Philo, O.; Tacoma, Wash.; Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; Portland, Oreg. Add or subtract $2 for each 1% or fraction thereof of contained manganese over 76% or under 74%, respectively.

(Mn 79-81%). Lump $213 per net ton, f.o.b. Anaconda or Great Falls, Mont. Add $2.60 for each 1% above 81%; subtract $2.60 for each 1% below 79%, fractions in proportion to nearest 0.1%.

**Low-Carbon Ferromanganese, Regular Grade:** (Mn 85-90%). Carload, lump, bulk, max. 0.07% C, 30.95c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 32c, ton lots 33.5c, less ton 34.7c. Delivered. Deduct 1.5c for max 0.15% C grade from above prices, 3c for max 0.30% C, 3.5c for max 0.50% C, and 6.5c for max 75% C—max 7% Si. **Special Grade:** (Mn 90% min, C 0.07% max, P 0.06% max). Add 2.05c to the above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Medium-Carbon Ferromanganese:** (Mn 80-85%, C 1.25-1.5%, Si 1.5% max). Carload, lump, bulk 22.35c per lb of contained Mn, packed, carload 23.4c, ton lot 25c, less ton 26.2c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Manganese Metal:** 2" x D (Mn 95.5% min, Fe 2% max, Si 1% max, C 0.2% max): Carload, lump, bulk, 45c per lb of metal; packed, 45.75c; ton lot 47.25c; less ton lots 49.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 2c.

**Electrolytic Manganese Metal:** Min carload, 30c; 2000 lb to min carload, 32c; 250 lb to 1999 lb, 34c. Premium for hydrogen-removed metal, 0.75c per lb. Prices are f.o.b. cars, Knoxville, Tenn., freight allowed to St. Louis or to any point east of Mississippi; or f.o.b. Marietta, O., freight allowed.

**Silicomanganese:** (Mn 65-68%). Contract, lump, bulk 1.50% C grade, 18-20% Si, 11.5c per lb of alloy. Packed, c.l. 12.5c, ton 12.95c, less ton 13.95c, f.o.b. Alloy, W. Va., Ashtabula, O., Marietta, O., Sheffield, Ala., Portland, Oreg. For 2% C grade, Si 15-17%, deduct 0.2c from above prices. For 3% C grade, Si 12-14.5%, deduct 0.4c from above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

## TITANIUM ALLOYS

**Ferrotitanium, Low-Carbon:** (Ti 20-25%, Al 3.5% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Contract, ton lots 2" x D, $1.50 per lb of contained Ti; less ton $1.55. (Ti 38-43%, Al 8% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Ton lots $1.35, less ton $1.37 f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis. Spot, add 5c.

**Ferrotitanium, High-Carbon:** (Ti 15-18%, C 6-8%). Contract $290 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N.Y., freight allowed to destinations east of Mississippi river and north of Baltimore and St. Louis.

**Ferrotitanium, Medium-Carbon:** (Ti 17-21%, C 2-4.5%). Contract $225 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

## CHROMIUM ALLOYS

**High-Carbon Ferrochrome:** Contract, c.l., lump, bulk 26.25c per lb of contained Cr; c.l. packed 27.5c, ton lot 29.25c, less ton 30.65c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Low-Carbon Ferrochrome:** (Cr 67-71%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk, C 0.025% max (Simplex) 31.75c per lb contained Cr, 0.02% max 35.50c, 0.03% max 35c, 0.06% max 36.50c, 0.1% max 36c, 0.15% max 35.75c, 0.2% max 35.50c, 0.5% max 35.25c, 1.0% max 34c, 1.5% max 33.85c, 2.0% max 33.75c. Ton lot, add 3.1c, less ton add 4.8c. Carload packed add 1.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Foundry Ferrochrome, High-Carbon:** (Cr 62-66%, C 5-7%, Si 7-10%). Contract, c.l. 2 in. x D, bulk 27.4c per lb contained Cr. Packed, c.l. 28.7c, ton 30.5c, less ton 32c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Foundry Ferrochrome, Low-Carbon:** (Cr 50-54%, Si 28-32%, C 1.25% max). Contract, carload, packed 8 M x D, 19.6c per lb of alloy, ton lot 20.85c; less ton lot, 22.05c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Low-Carbon Ferrochrome-Silicon:** (Cr 39-41%, Si 42-49%, C 0.05% max). Contract, carload, lump, 4" x down and 2" x down, bulk, 39.05c per lb of contained Cr; 1" x down, bulk 39.8c. Delivered.

**Chromium Metal, Electrolytic:** Commercial grade (Cr 99.8% min, metallic basis, Fe 0.2 max). Contract, cariot, packed 2" x D plate (about ⅛" thick) $1.25 per lb, ton lots $1.27, less ton lots $1.29. Delivered. Spot, add 5c.

## VANADIUM ALLOYS

**Ferrovanadium:** Open-hearth Grade (V 50-55%, Si 8% max, C 3% max). Contract, any quantity, $3.10 per lb of contained V. Delivered. Spot, add 10c. **Special Grade** (V 50-55% or 70-75%, Si 2% max, C 0.5% max) $3.20. **High Speed Grade** (V 50-55%, or 70-75%, Si 1.50% max, C 0.20% max) $3.30.

**Grainal:** Vanadium Grainal No. 1, $1.05 per lb; No. 6, 68c; No. 79, 59c, freight allowed.

**Vanadium Oxide:** Contract, less carload lots, packed, $1.33 per lb contained $V_2O_5$, freight allowed. Spot, add 5c.

## SILICON ALLOYS

**25-30% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 20.0c per lb of contained Si. Packed 21.40c; ton lot 22.50c f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

**50% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 12.75c per lb of contained Si. Packed, c.l. 14.85c, ton lot 16.3c, less ton 17.95c. F.o.b. Alloy, W. Va., Ashtabula, O., Marietta, O., Sheffield, Ala., and Portland, Oreg. Spot, add 0.45c.

**Low-Aluminum 50% Ferrosilicon:** (Al 0.40% max). Add 1.2c to 50% ferrosilicon prices.

**65% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 14.5c per pound contained silicon. Packed, c.l. 16.2c, ton lots, 18c; less ton, 19.35c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.35c.

**75% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 15.4c per lb of contained Si. Packed, c.l. 17.05c, ton lot 18.7c, less ton 19.95c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.3c.

**90% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 18.5c per lb of contained Si. Packed, c.l. 19.95c, ton lot 21.35c, less ton 22.4c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicon Metal:** (Min 98% Si, 0.75% max Fe, 0.07 max Ca). C.l. lump, bulk, 20.5c per lb of Si. Packed, c.l. 21.95c, ton lot 23.25c, less ton 24.25c. Add 0.5c for max 0.03 Ca grade. Deduct 0.5c for max 2% Fe grade analyzing min 98.5% Si. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Alsifer:** (Approx. 20% Al, 40% Si, 40% Fe). Contract, basis f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., lump, carload, bulk, 19.65c per lb of alloy, ton lots packed 11.8c.

## ZIRCONIUM ALLOYS

**12-15% Zirconium Alloy:** (Zr 12-15%, Si 39-43%, C 0.20% max). Contract, c.l. lump, bulk 8.5c, per lb of alloy. Packed, c.l. 9.5c, ton lot 10.65c, less ton 11.5c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**35-40% Zirconium Alloy:** (Zr 35-40%, Si 47-52%, Fe 8-12%, C 0.50% max). Contract, carload, lump, packed 26.25c per lb of alloy, ton lot 27.4c, less ton 28.65c. Freight allowed. Spot, add 0.25c.

## BORON ALLOYS

**Ferroboron:** (B 17.50% min, Si 1.50% max, Al 0.50% max, C 0.50% max). Contract, 100 lb or more 1" x D. $1.20 per lb of alloy; less than 100 lb $1.30. Delivered. Spot, add 5c. F.o.b. Washington, Pa., prices, 100 lb and over, are as follows: Grade A (10-14% B) 85c per pound; Grade B (14-18% B) $1.20; Grade C (19% min B) $1.50.

**Borosil:** (3 to 4% B, 40 to 45% Si). $5.25 per lb contained B, delivered to destination.

**Bortam:** (B 1.5%-1.9%). Ton lots, 45c per lb; smaller lots, 50c per lb.

**Carbortam:** (B 1 to 2%). Contract, lump, carloads 9.50c per lb, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed same as high-carbon ferrotitanium.

## CALCIUM ALLOYS

**Calcium-Manganese-Silicon:** (Ca 16-20%, Mn 14-18% and Si 53-59%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 22c per lb of alloy, carload packed 23.05c, ton lot 24.95c, less ton 25.95c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Calcium-Silicon:** (Ca 30-33%, Si 60-65%, Fe 1.5-3%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 21.5c per lb or alloy, carload packed 22.95c, ton lot 25.25c, less ton 26.75c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

## BRIQUETTED ALLOYS

**Chromium Briquets:** (Weighing approx. 3¾ lb each and containing 2 lb of Cr). Contract, carload, bulk, 16.95c per lb of briquet, carload packed in box pallets 17.15c, in bags 17.55c; 3000 lb to c.l. in box pallets 18.35c; 2000 lb to c.l. in bags, 19.05c; less than 2000 lb in bags 19.95c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Ferromanganese Briquets:** (Weighing approx. 3 lb and containing 2 lb of Mn). Contract, carload, bulk 12.5c per lb of briquet, c.l. packed, pallets 12.7c, bags 13.5c; 3000 lb to c.l., pallets 13.9c; 2000 lb to c.l., bags, 14.7c, less ton 15.6c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicomanganese Briquets:** (Weighing approx. 3¼ lb and containing 2 lb of Mn and approx. ½ lb or Si). Contract, c.l. bulk 13.15c per lb of briquet, c.l. packed, pallets, 13.35c; bags 14.15c, 3000 lb to c.l., pallets, 14.55c; 2000 lb to c.l., bags, 15.35c; less ton 16.25c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicon Briquets:** (Large size—weighing approx. 5 lb and containing 2 lb of Si). Contract, carload, bulk 7.15c per lb of briquet; packed, pallets, 7.35c; bags, 8.15c; 3000 lb to c.l., pallets, 8.95c; 2000 lb to c.l. bags 9.75c; less ton 10.65c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

(Small size—Weighing approx. 2½ lb and containing 1 lb of Si). Carload, bulk 7.3c. Packed, pallets 7.8c; bags 8.30c; 3000 lb to c.l. pallets 9.1c; 2000 to c.l. bags 9.9c; less ton 10.8c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching, small size only. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Molybdic-Oxide Briquets:** (Containing 2½ lb of Mo each) $1.33 per pound of Mo contained, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.

## TUNGSTEN ALLOYS

**Ferrotungsten:** (70-80%), 5000 lb W or more $3.45 per lb of contained W; 2000 lb W to 5000 lb W, $3.55; less than 2000 lb W, $3.67. Delivered.

## OTHER FERROALLOYS

**Ferrocolumbium:** (Cb 50-60%, Si 8% max, C 0.4% max). Contract, ton lot, 2" x D, $6.90 per lb of contained Cb. Delivered. Spot, add 10c.

**Ferrotantalum—Columbium:** (Cb 40% approx., Ta 20% approx., and Cb plus Ta 60% min C 0.30% max). Ton lots, 2" x D, $4.65 per lb of contained Cb plus Ta, delivered; less ton lots $4.70.

**SMZ Alloy:** (Si 60-65%, Mn 5-7%, Zr 5-7%, Fe 20% approx.) Contract, c.l. packed ½ in. x 12 M, 18.5c per lb of alloy, ton lots 19.65c, less ton 20.9c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Graphidox No. 5:** (Si 48-52%, Ca 5-7%, Ti 9-11%). C.l. packed, 18.5c per lb of alloy, ton lots 19.65c; less ton lots 20.9c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y.; freight allowed to St. Louis.

**V-5 Foundry Alloy:** (Cr 38-42%, Si 17-19%, Mn 8-11%). C.l. packed 17.2c per lb of alloy; ton lots 18.7c; less ton lots 19.95c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis.

**Siminal:** (Approx. 20% each Si, Mn, Al; bal. Fe). Lump, carload, bulk 17.50c. Packed c.l. 18.50c, 200 lb to c.l. 19.50c, less than 2000 lb 20c per lb of alloy. Delivered.

**Ferrophosphorus:** (23-25% based on 24% P content with unitage of $4 for each 1% of P above or below the base; caload, f.o.b. sellers' works, Mt. Pleasant, Siglo, Tenn., $90 per gross ton.

**Ferromolybdenum:** (55-75%). Per lb contained Mo, in 200-lb containers, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa., $1.54 in all sizes except powdered which is $1.66; Washington, Pa., furnace, any quantity $1.46.

**Technical Molybdic-Oxide:** Per lb contained Mo, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.; $1.31 in cans; in bags, $1.30, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.; $1.24, Washington, Pa.

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foundry grade at Birmingham, Cleveland, Buffalo and Troy, N. Y.

Automotive foundries in the Chicago area are melting less iron than they did in fourth quarter and have cut back on their iron shipments accordingly. In the district, 43 blast furnaces are in operation.

## Wire . . .

**Wire Prices, Pages 148 & 149**

Demand for low carbon wire used in fabric, mesh, pipe reinforcing and highway accessories is heavier. Mill backlogs are reported extended. Most mesh items are on a monthly quota basis. The higher carbon grades, manufacturers wire, heading and spring grades appear to be in slightly less active demand. Inventories are up and some deferments are noted with consumers more prone to delay placements with the mills, evidently under less pressure for tonnage than formerly. With the approach of spring, some quickening in merchant products requirements is under way.

Wire rods are in short supply. Producers haven't closed books for second quarter, but they are confident customers will specify all the tonnage they are entitled to under existing order patterns.

## Metallurgical Coke . . .

**Metallurgical Coke Prices, Page 158**

Coke production in the U. S. totaled 75,158,839 net tons in 1955, reports the U. S. Bureau of Mines. This was 26 per cent above 1954 output. Of the total, 73,455,250 tons were oven coke and 1,703,579 beehive.

Oven output fell short of the record set in 1953 by only 138,278 net tons. Production at merchant plants averaged 84.4 per cent of capacity, compared with 60.7 in 1954. The rate at furnace plants was 94.7 per cent.

Beehive ovens produced almost three times as much coke as they did in 1954, but output was only about one-fourth as much as was turned out each year during the Korean War. Lack of satisfactory coking coal caused many plants with serviceable ovens to remain idle.

Here are comparative production data:

**OVEN COKE PRODUCTION BY STEEL DISTRICTS**
(Net Tons)

| Districts | 1954 | 1955 |
|---|---|---|
| Eastern | 12,936,243 | 15,406,568 |
| Pittsburgh-Youngstown | 19,953,889 | 25,069,354 |
| Cleveland-Detroit | 5,860,418 | 5,594,749 |
| Chicago | 11,760,680 | 14,242,145 |
| Southern | 6,152,790 | 7,193,189 |
| Western | 2,287,397 | 2,949,245 |
| Total | 58,951,417 | 73,455,250 |

**BEEHIVE COKE PRODUCTION BY REGIONS**
(Net Tons)

| Regions | 1954 | 1955 |
|---|---|---|
| Pennsylvania | 401,546 | 1,298,872 |
| West Virginia | 36,991 | 114,138 |
| Other (Kentucky, Utah, Virginia) | 127,060 | 290,569 |
| Total | 565,597 | 1,703,579 |

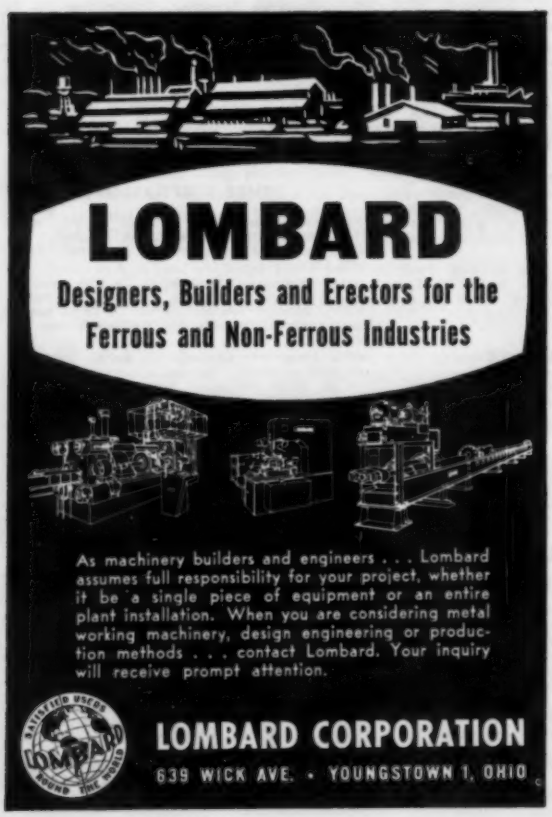
More than 1 million tons of oven coke were withdrawn from producers' stocks during 1955, the total at year end amounting to 1,747,536 tons, against 2,941,571 at the close of 1954.

The major use, as in former years, was for the reduction of iron ore in blast furnaces. About 89 per cent of total distribution was for this purpose, up 31 per cent from the year before. The blast furnaces and foundries, together, used 93 per cent of the total tonnage consumed during the year. Use for gas manufacture and residential heating decreased.

Comparative consumption data:

**DISPOSAL OF COKE BY USES**
(Net Tons)

| | 1954 | 1955 |
|---|---|---|
| Blast furnace plants | 51,961,053 | 68,149,594 |
| Foundries | 2,479,321 | 3,159,126 |
| Producer-gas plants | 342,148 | 231,746 |
| Water-gas plants | 1,091,283 | 994,284 |
| Other industrial plants | 1,860,130 | 2,277,037 |
| Residential heating | 1,248,347 | 1,154,211 |
| Exports | 298,534 | 325,055 |
| Total | 59,280,816 | 76,291,353 |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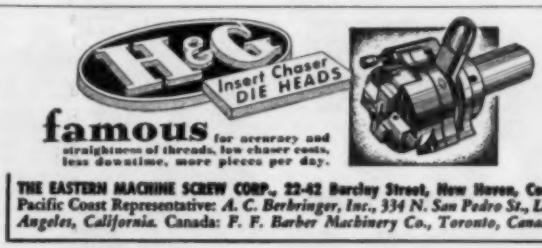
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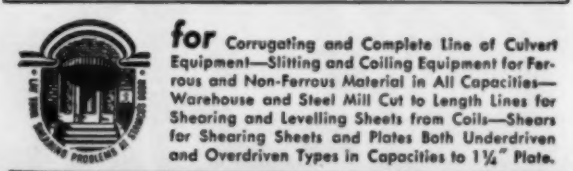
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## Scrap . . .

Scrap Prices, Page 164

**Philadelphia**—Recent buying by the Fairless, Pa., consumer of No. 1 heavy melting, No. 1 bundles and No. 1 busheling at $50, delivered, has been followed by modest buying by others at the same level. This reflects a slight downtrend. Mills also have purchased No. 2 heavy melting at $44, up slightly, and No. 2 bundles at $41, unchanged on an average basis.

Mixed borings and turnings are off 50 cents to $36, and machine shop turnings and short shovel turnings are down $1 to $35 and $38, respectively. Heavy turnings are easier at $46, and couplers, springs and wheels are $58, off $1.

No. 1 cupola and heavy breakable cast are down $1 to $49 and $52, respectively. Other cast grades are unchanged; also low phos structurals and plates, electric furnace bundles and rail crops.

**Pittsburgh**—A major buyer bought No. 1 heavy melting scrap at $48 last week, and paid $44 for No. 2 heavy melting. This confirms the price paid earlier by another mill. Railroad scrap prices are slightly firmer.

**Boston**—Steel scrap prices have levelled off here with borings and turnings steadier. For district consumption, small new orders for No. 1 heavy melting and busheling have brought brokers' buying prices $41, shipping point. This is $7 per ton off from early January. Little tonnage is moving to dock on export account.

**New York**—Brokers' buying prices on the prime grades of open-hearth scrap have stiffened to $43-$44 although the market on No. 2 heavy melting and No. 2 bundles is unchanged. Machine shop turnings are up $1 to $25-$26.

Broadly, trading in the steel grades is a little more active, but on a moderate scale, as consumers are not sure that the downtrend of recent weeks is over. They anticipate a leveling off for the present, but are bearing in mind that spring is not far off and that at that time there is usually an easing in supply due to more favorable weather for shipments.

**Cincinnati**—The scrap market is quiet here. Prices are unchanged and demand is sluggish. Flood conditions on the Ohio river curtailed barge movement of scrap for a time last week.

**Chicago** — A district steel mill bought No. 2 bundles for $26, delivered, putting this item back in line with the other steelmaking grades of scrap. The price was $3 per ton lower than what mills paid on their last purchases a month ago but was only $1 under the recently prevailing market. Several other grades were acquired at unchanged prices. None of the acquisitions involved big tonnage, but together, they served to keep the market stabilized. A few railroad grades are stronger by $1 a ton.

**Cleveland**—The scrap market is firm here, with a fair volume of business reported done both here and in the Valley. No. 1 heavy melting is unchanged at $49-$50, but No. 2 heavy melting is up about $2 per ton to $45-$46. The low phos items are up $1. Some railroad items are off $1 to $2. The auto lists brought slightly higher prices than they did a month ago. They are up about 50 cents per ton.

**Detroit**—Scrap prices are unchanged here. Auto lists closed about $1 off from a month ago, however. The market is quiet. Rotary Electric Steel Co. has been out of the market because of a wildcat strike. Ingot operations in the area are estimated at 102 per cent, compared with 88 a year ago.

**Birmingham**—Steady demand for steel scrap for electric furnace use and for export is keeping the price of No. 1 heavy melting steady. No. 2 heavy melting and No. 2 bundles are off $2 per ton.

**St. Louis**—Railroad scrap prices tumbled $1 to $2 a ton on all grades except angles and splice bars. Sales are sluggish. The mills hold large inventories and some of them are out of the market for scrap. Others have decreased buying and are showing little interest.

**Los Angeles**—Continuing the trend toward lower prices, No. 1 cupola cast dropped $2 to $46 last week. Although prices on other grades held unchanged, dealers reported definite easing in the market.

**San Francisco**—Steel scrap is in such plentiful supply that dealers are predicting another downward price adjustment within the next week or so. Local dealers are watching developments in the export market closely.

**Seattle**—Scrap is weaker and further downward price adjustments are expected. Mills hold large inventories, while foreign buyers are not displaying much interest in offerings. Country shippers are holding up shipments with the result that yard receipts are off. No. 1 and No. 2 heavy melting are quoted at $42 and $38, respectively. No. 2 bundles are down to $27, while electric furnace material is quoted at $48.

## Canada . . .

Iron and steel production in Canada set new records in 1955.

Production of steel ingots and castings totaled 4,529,401 net tons. This compares with 3,194,122 net tons in 1954 and 4,115,469 tons in 1953.

Production included 4,441,743 tons of steel ingots and 87,658 tons of steel castings, against 3,113,822 tons of ingots and 80,300 tons of castings in 1954, and 4,009,813 tons of ingots and 105,656 tons of castings in 1953.

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Consumer prices, per gross ton, except as otherwise noted, including broker's commission, as reported to STEEL. *Changes shown in italics.*

## STEELMAKING SCRAP COMPOSITE

| | |
|---|---|
| Feb. 29 | $48.17 |
| Feb. 22 | 48.33 |
| Jan. Avg. | 52.17 |
| Feb. 1955 | 36.79 |
| Feb. 1951 | 44.00 |

Based on No. 1 heavy melting grade at Pittsburgh, Chicago and eastern Pennsylvania.

### PITTSBURGH

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 47.00-48.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 43.00-44.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 47.00-48.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 40.00-41.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 47.00-48.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 33.00-34.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 33.00-34.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 36.00-37.00 |
| Cast iron borings | 36.00-37.00 |
| Cut structurals, 3 ft lengths | 56.00-57.00 |
| Heavy turnings | 44.00-45.00 |
| Punching & Plate scrap | 56.00-57.00 |
| Electric furnace bundles | 52.00-53.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 48.00-49.00 |
| Charging box cast | 45.00-46.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 45.00-46.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 32.00-33.00 |
| *No. 1 machinery cast* | *54.00-55.00* |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.* | *54.00-55.00* |
| *Rails, 2 ft and under* | *66.00-67.00* |
| *Rails, 18 in. and under* | *67.00-68.00* |
| *Rails, random lengths* | *62.00-63.00* |
| Railroad specialties | 60.00-61.00 |

Stainless Steel Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| 18-8 bundles & solids | 340.00-350.00 |
| 18-8 turnings | 235.00-245.00 |
| 430 bundles & solids | 110.00-120.00 |
| 430 turnings | 60.00-65.00 |

### CLEVELAND

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 49.00-50.00 |
| *No. 2 heavy melting* | *45.00-46.00* |
| No. 1 bundles | 49.00-50.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 38.00-39.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 49.00-50.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 29.00-30.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 33.00-34.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 33.00-34.00 |
| Cast iron borings | 33.00-34.00 |
| *Low phos.* | *55.00-56.00* |
| *Cut structural plates 2 ft and under* | *55.00-56.00* |
| Alloy free, short shovel turnings | 37.00-38.00 |
| *Electric furnace bundles* | *50.00-51.00* |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 54.00-55.00 |
| Charging box cast | 47.00-48.00 |
| Stove plate | 52.00-53.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 46.00-47.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 36.00-37.00 |
| Brake shoes | 41.00-42.00 |
| *Clean auto cast* | *54.00-55.00* |
| Burnt cast | 41.00-42.00 |
| Drop broken machinery | 55.00-56.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 R.R. heavy melt. | 53.00-54.00 |
| R.R. malleable | 58.00-60.00 |
| *Rails, 2 ft and under* | *67.00-68.00* |
| *Rails, 18 in. and under* | *68.00-69.00* |
| *Rails, random lengths* | *61.00-62.00* |
| *Cast steel* | *58.00-59.00* |
| *Railroad specialties* | *58.00-59.00* |
| *Uncut tires* | *59.00-60.00* |
| *Angles, splice bars* | *62.00-63.00* |
| Rails, rerolling | 67.00-68.00 |

Stainless Steel

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| 18-8 bundles, solids | 340.00-350.00 |
| 18-8 turnings | 200.00-210.00 |
| 430 clips, bundles, solids | 105.00-115.00 |
| 430 turnings | 55.00-65.00 |

### YOUNGSTOWN

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 52.00-53.00 |
| *No. 2 heavy melting* | *41.00-42.00* |
| No. 1 bundles | 52.00-53.00 |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *38.00-39.00* |
| No. 1 busheling | 52.00-53.00 |
| *Machine shop turnings* | *29.00-30.00* |
| *Short shovel turnings* | *34.00-35.00* |
| *Cast iron borings* | *34.00-35.00* |
| Low phos. | 53.00-54.00 |
| Electric furnace bundles | 53.00-54.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.* | *53.00-54.00* |

### CHICAGO

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 46.00-48.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 37.00-38.00 |
| No. 1 factory bundles | 48.00-49.00 |
| No. 1 dealer bundles | 45.00-46.00 |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *35.00-36.00* |
| No. 1 busheling | 46.00-48.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 25.00-26.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 27.00-28.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 27.00-28.00 |
| Cast iron borings | 27.00-28.00 |
| Cut structurals, 3 ft | 52.00-53.00 |
| Punchings & plate scrap | 53.00-54.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 46.00-47.00 |
| Stove plate | 38.00-39.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 36.00-37.00 |
| Clean auto cast | 51.00-52.00 |
| Drop broken machinery | 51.00-52.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 R.R. heavy melt. | 49.00-50.00 |
| R.R. malleable | 58.00-59.00 |
| *Rails, 2 ft and under* | *63.00-64.00* |
| *Rails, 18 in. and under* | *64.00-65.00* |
| *Angles, splice bars* | *61.00-62.00* |
| *Rails, rerolling* | *65.00-66.00* |

Stainless Steel Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| 18-8 bundles & solids | 325.00-340.00 |
| 18-8 turnings | 230.00-240.00 |
| 430 bundles & solids | 105.00-110.00 |
| 430 turnings | 45.00-50.00 |

### DETROIT

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 45.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 32.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 45.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 33.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 45.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 22.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 22.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 25.00 |
| Punching & plate scrap | 54.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 43.00 |
| Charging box cast | 37.00 |
| Stove plate | 37.00 |
| Heavy breakable | 35.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 25.00 |
| Clean auto cast | 46.00 |
| Malleable | 42.00 |

### BIRMINGHAM

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 41.00-42.00 |
| *No. 2 heavy melting* | *37.00-38.00* |
| No. 1 bundles | 41.00-42.00 |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *28.00-29.00* |
| No. 1 busheling | 41.00-42.00 |
| *Cast iron borings* | *20.50-21.50* |
| Short shovel turnings | 30.00-31.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 29.00-30.00 |
| Electric furnace bundles | 44.00-45.00 |

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 47.50-48.00 |
| Stove plate | 44.50-45.50 |
| Bar crops and plate | 51.00-52.00 |
| *Structural & plate, 2 ft.* | *50.00-51.00* |
| *Unstripped motor blocks* | *37.00-38.00* |
| Charging box cast | 32.00-33.00 |
| *No. 1 wheels* | *37.00-38.00* |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.* | *47.00-48.00* |
| *Rails, 18-in. and under* | *61.00-62.00* |
| *Rails, rerolling* | *61.00-62.00* |
| Rails, random lengths | 58.00-59.00 |
| Angles, splice bars | 57.00-58.00 |

### PHILADELPHIA

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 heavy melting* | *50.00* |
| *No. 2 heavy melting* | *44.00* |
| *No. 1 bundles* | *50.00* |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *41.00* |
| *No. 1 busheling* | *50.00* |
| Electric furnace bundles | 52.00-53.00† |
| *Mixed borings, turnings* | *36.00* |
| *Machine shop turnings* | *35.00* |
| *Short shovel turnings* | *38.00* |
| *Heavy turnings* | *46.00* |
| Structurals & plate | 54.00-56.00 |
| *Couplers, springs, wheels* | *58.00* |
| Rail crops, 2 ft & under | 64.00-65.00† |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 cupola* | *49.00* |
| Malleable | 68.00 |
| *Heavy breakable cast* | *52.00* |
| Drop broken machinery | 54.00-55.00 |

†Nominal

### NEW YORK

(Brokers' buying prices)

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 heavy melting* | *43.00-44.00* |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 37.00-38.00 |
| *No. 1 bundles* | *43.00-44.00* |
| No. 2 bundles | 32.00-33.00 |
| *Machine shop turnings* | *25.00-26.00* |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 27.00-28.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 29.00-30.00 |
| Low phos. (structural & plate) | 45.00-46.00† |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 43.00-44.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 30.00-32.00 |
| Heavy breakable | 45.00-46.00 |

Stainless Steel

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|---|---|
| 18-8 sheets, clips solids | 320.00-325.00 |
| 18-8 borings, turnings | 150.00-160.00 |
| 430 sheets, clips, solids | 120.00-125.00 |
| 410 sheets, clips, solids | 100.00-105.00 |

†Nominal

### BOSTON

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 heavy melting* | *41.00* |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 32.00-33.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 38.00-39.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 30.00-31.00 |
| *No. 1 busheling* | *41.00* |
| Machine shop turnings | 23.00-23.50 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 26.00-26.50 |
| Short shovel turnings | 27.00-28.00 |
| No. 1 cast | 40.50-41.00 |
| Mixed cupola cast | 38.00-39.00 |
| No. 1 machinery cast | 42.00-43.00 |

### BUFFALO

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 46.00-47.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 40.00-41.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 46.00-47.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 37.00-38.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 46.00-47.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 29.00-30.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 28.00-29.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 30.00-31.00 |
| Cast iron borings | 30.00-31.00 |
| Low phos. | 46.00-47.00 |

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 46.00-47.00 |
| No. 1 machinery | 49.00-50.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| Rails, random lengths | 60.00-61.00 |
| Rails, 3 ft and under | 62.00-63.00 |
| Railroad specialties | 54.00-55.00 |

### CINCINNATI

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 45.00-46.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 36.00-37.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 45.00-46.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 34.00-35.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 45.00-46.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 29.50-30.50 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 30.00-31.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 31.50-32.50 |
| Cast iron borings | 30.00-31.00 |
| Low phos., 18 in. | 54.00-55.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 44.00-45.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 42.00-43.00 |
| Charging box cast | 42.00-43.00 |
| Drop broken machinery | 54.00-55.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 R.R. heavy melt. | 51.00-52.00 |
| Rails, 18 in. and under | 65.00-66.00 |
| Rails, random lengths | 58.00-59.00 |

### ST. LOUIS

(Brokers' buying prices)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 40.50 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 37.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 40.50 |
| No. 2 bundles | 32.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 40.50 |
| Machine shop turnings | 26.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 26.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 47.00 |
| Charging box cast | 40.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 38.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 38.00 |
| Brake shoes | 43.00 |
| Clean auto cast | 48.00 |
| *Stove plate* | *40.00* |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.* | *49.50* |
| *Rails, 18 in. and under* | *64.00* |
| *Rails, random lengths* | *58.00* |
| *Rails, rerolling* | *65.00* |
| Angles, splice bars | 54.00 |

### SEATTLE

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 42.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 38.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 34.00 |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *27.00* |
| No. 3 bundles | 25.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 15.00-16.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 15.00-16.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 15.00-16.00 |
| *Electric furnace, bundles* | *48.00* |

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 40.00-43.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 38.00 |
| No. 1 wheels | 35.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 33.00 |
| Clean motor blocks | 40.00 |
| Stove plate (f.o.b. plant) | 35.00 |
| Brake shoes | 35.00 |

Railroad Scrap

| | |
|---|---|
| Rails, random lengths | 33.00 |

### LOS ANGELES

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 42.00 |
| *No. 2 heavy melting* | *36.00* |
| *No. 1 bundles* | *39.00* |
| *No. 2 bundles* | *32.00* |
| *Machine shop turnings* | *18.00* |

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

| | |
|---|---|
| *No. 1 cupola* | *46.00* |

### SAN FRANCISCO

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 40.00 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 35.00 |
| No. 1 bundles | 39.00 |
| No. 2 bundles | 32.00 |
| No. 1 busheling | 40.00 |
| Machine shop turnings | 23.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 23.00 |
| Cast iron borings | 23.00 |
| Short shovel turnings | 25.00 |
| Cut structurals | 49.00 |
| Heavy turnings | 23.00 |
| Punching & Plate scrap | 44.00 |

Cast Iron Grades

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 cupola | 50.00 |
| Charging box cast | 35.00 |
| Stove plate | 39.00 |
| Heavy breakable cast | 36.00 |
| Unstripped motor blocks | 32.00 |
| Brake shoes | 35.00 |
| Clean auto cast | 50.00 |
| No. 1 wheels | 39.00 |
| Burnt cast | 23.00 |
| Drop broken machinery | 50.00 |

### HAMILTON, ONT.

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 heavy melting | 45.50 |
| No. 2 heavy melting | 41.50 |
| No. 1 bundles | 45.50 |
| No. 2 bundles | 38.00 |
| Mixed steel scrap | 38.00 |
| Mixed borings, turnings | 19.00 |
| Rails, remelting | 54.50 |
| Busheling, new factory: Prepared | 43.50 |
| Unprepared | 39.50 |
| Short steel turnings | 27.50 |

Cast Iron Grades†

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1 machinery cast | 42.00-45.00 |

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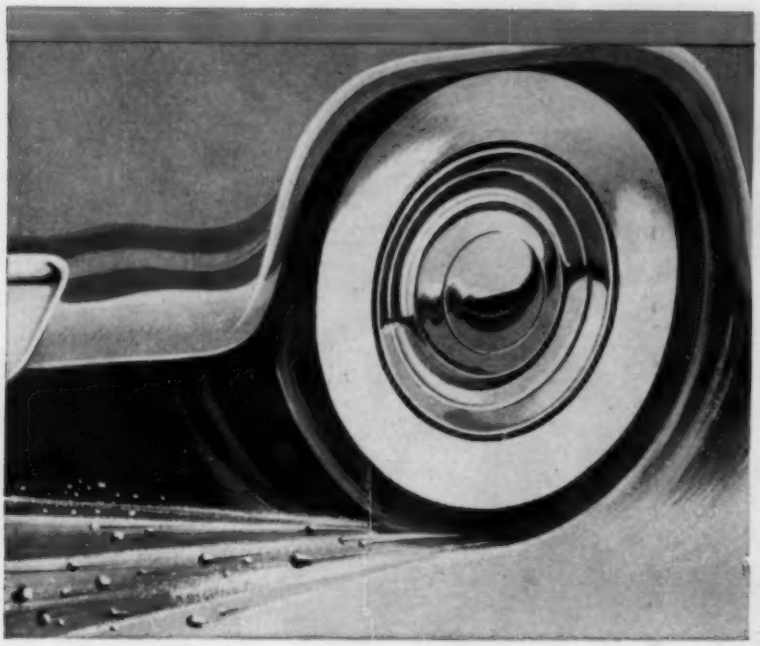

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Production of steel ingots and castings in December, 1955, amounted to 423,127 net tons, against 415,477 tons in November and 275,072 tons in December, 1954.

Pig iron production in 1955 totaled 3,213,764 net tons, which was 84.1 per cent of total capacity, and compares with 2,213,433 tons, or 57.9 per cent, for 1954, and 3,012,269 tons, or 78.8 per cent, in 1953, the previous record year.

Production of pig iron for December amounted to 281,935 tons, or a daily average of 86.9 per cent.

## Structural Shapes . . .

**Structural Shape Prices, Page 148**

While considerable structural work is before the trade, awards currently are slower. This is partly due to the sold-up condition of fabricating shops, notably in the East. Leading fabricators are booked a year ahead, in some cases farther, and many of the smaller shops have little open capacity under seven or eight months.

Because of this tight situation, there is considerable shopping around by builders and some changing of construction plans, particularly in financing. This tends to defer action on proposed work. However, the market continues fairly active. In the East, highway work is outstanding, notably in Connecticut.

Despite the current spottiness, much business is in the offing and is expected to come out as spring nears. Meanwhile steel supply continues as tight as ever. One producer, in line with action taken some time ago by another shapemaker, is limiting light wide flange sections, 30 lb and less, to no more than 10 per cent of total quotas.

Supply improvement is seen during the last half of this year when Bethlehem's Saucon mill is due to produce close to 210,000 tons monthly. Its capacity will be increased by 800,000 tons annually, and the rehabilitated mill will enlarge its wide-flange beam output substantially.

Fabricated structural steel prices in New England, notably on tonnage for delivery late this year and in early 1957, are higher, estimates taking into consideration an expected increase in structural shape prices by the mills around midyear. Many forward contracts include escalator clauses, but the shops anticipate an advance of at least $6 per ton.

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## STRUCTURAL SHAPES . . .

### STRUCTURAL STEEL PLACED

12,125 tons, including 717 tons of low alloy steel, superstructures, three viaducts, Burr road, Cherry street and South avenue, Connecticut turnpike project 310-02, Bridgeport, Conn., to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh; bids Feb. 20, Hartford, Conn.; also 1200 tons, concrete reinforcing bars.

11,420 tons, including 3270 tons of low alloy steel, superstructure, main span, Quinnipiac river, 3769.26 linear ft, Connecticut turnpike project 317-05, New Haven, Conn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.; bids Feb. 20, Hartford, Conn.; also 1285 tons, concrete reinforcing bars.

6055 tons, including 3405 tons of low alloy steel, superstructure, Yellow Mill Pond bridge, 1330.52 linear ft, and superstructures, Stratford avenue and Beardsley street bridges, Connecticut turnpike project 312-02, Bridgeport, Conn., to Harris Structural Steel Co., New York; bids Feb. 20, Hartford, Conn.; also 800 tons, concrete reinforcing bars.

3500 tons, seven state bridges, Southeast expressway, Neponset Circle to river, Granite street, Dorchester district, Boston; to West End Iron Works, Cambridge, Mass.; M. DeMatteo Construction Co., Quincy, Mass., general contractor.

2200 tons, power plant addition, Connecticut Light & Power Co., Devon, Conn., through United Engineers & Constructors, Philadelphia, to Bethlehem Fabricators, Bethlehem, Pa.

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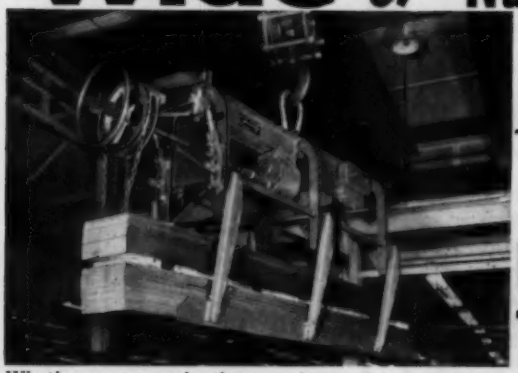

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culverts, Connecticut turnpike project 321-01, Guilford-Clinton-Madison and Westbrook, Conn.; Lane Construction Co., Meriden, Conn., low on general contract; also 1715 tons, concrete reinforcing bars and 1350 tons, steel piles; bids Feb. 20, Hartford, Conn.

1650 tons, five grade separations and three substructures for viaducts, Connecticut turnpike project 310-01, Fairfield and Bridgeport, Conn.; Cayuga Foundation Corp., New York, low on general contract; also 4575 tons, steel piles, and 1150 tons, concrete reinforcing bars.

1245 tons, eight grade separations and two drainage structures, Connecticut turnpike project 302-02, Greenwich, Conn.; Slattery Contracting Co., New York, low on general contract; also 1125 tons, steel piles, and 1000 tons, concrete reinforcing bars.

600 tons, public school No. 111, Manhattan, New York; bids asked.

300 tons, jail equipment, county-city building, Tacoma, Wash., Decatur Iron & Steel Co., Decatur, Ala., low bidder at $379,843.

220 tons, Washington state undercrossing, Thurston county; Erickson Paving Co., Bellevue, Wash., low bidder at $578,858.

200 tons, state highway bridge, Coventry-West Warwick, R. I.; Campanella & Cardi Construction Co., Hillsgrove, R. I., low on general contract.

100 tons or more, Alaska railroad engine house; bids to Irvin P. Cook, chief engineer, Anchorage, Alaska, Mar. 21.

100 tons, radial and slide gates, etc., 16-mile branch lateral project, Ephrata, Wash.; West Coast Construction Co., Seattle, is low bidder at $459,297.

## REINFORCING BARS . . .

### REINFORCING BARS PLACED

1800 tons, section, Schuykill expressway, Ph'ladelphia, through Lipsett Inc., New York, general contractor, to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

585 tons, substructure, Norwalk river bridge, Connecticut turnpike project 306-08, Norwalk, Conn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.; Mariani Construction Co., New Haven, Conn., general contractor; 1675 tons, steel piles, to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

190 tons, including 160 tons for Seattle theater and 30 tons for construction at Toppenish, Wash., to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle.

### REINFORCING BARS PENDING

1600 tons, Pelton power project, Deschutes river, Oreg.; bids Mar. 16 to Portland General Electric Co., Portland, Oreg.

1300 tons, county-city building, Tacoma, Wash.; bids in.

450 tons, high school, Framingham, Mass.; M. S. Kelliher Co., Boston, is low on the general contract.

160 tons, concrete box culvert and drainage, West Springfield, Mass.

130 tons, Washington state undercrossing, Thurston county; bids in.

125 tons, overpass and interchange, F. E. Everett turnpike, Hooksett, N. H.; bids Mar. 8, Concord, N. H.; also 70 tons of structural steel.

107 tons, Washington state undercrossing, Spokane, Wash.; bids to Olympia, Wash., Mar. 6.

92 tons, furnished by Bonneville Power Administration; tower steel and footings for the McNary dam switchyard line; bids to Portland, Oreg., Mar. 15.

40 tons, also miscellaneous steel, Bureau of Roads, Baker river bridge, Washington state; American Pile Driver Co., Everett, Wash., awarded contract at $143,136.

Unstated, Yellowstone county courthouse, Billings, Mont.; Hitz Construction Co., Billings, is low at $1,634,130.

## PLATES . . .

### PLATES PLACED

90,000 tons, 40-in.-diameter, 0.375-in.-thick, natural gas pipe to the South Durham Steel & Iron Co. Ltd., Stockton-on-Tees, England, by the West Coast Transmission Co., Vancouver, B. C.

120 tons, city water storage tank, Othello, Wash., to American Pipe & Construction Co., Portland, Oreg., low bidder at $55,101.

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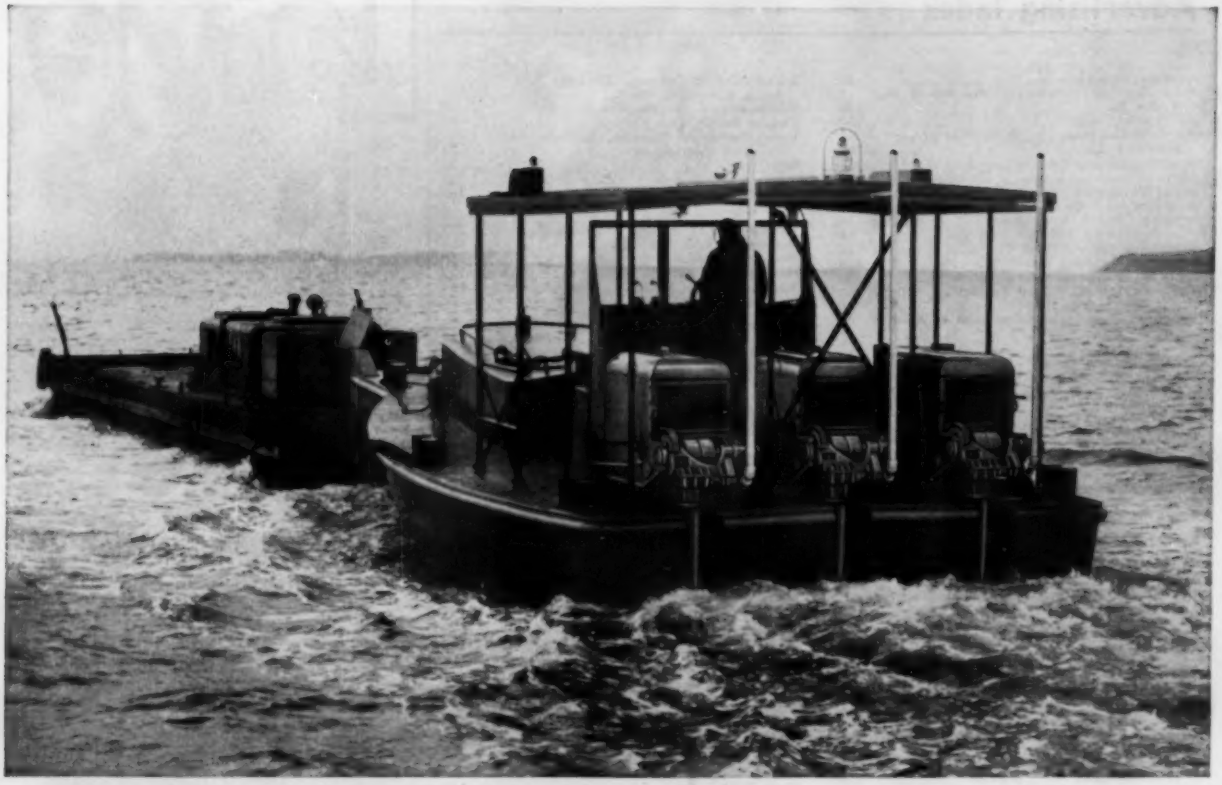

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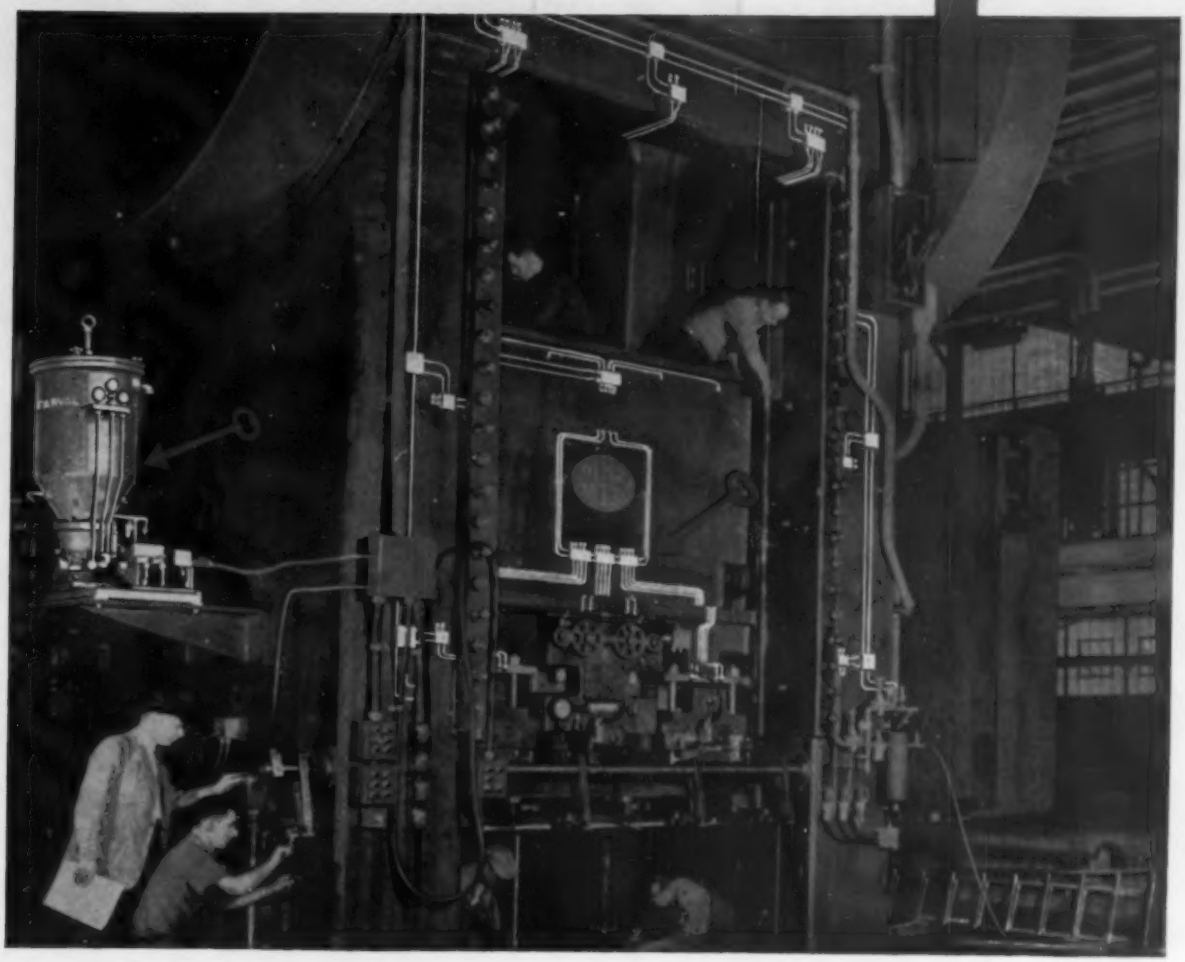

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